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WASHINGTON.

THE FORTHCOMING PLAN FOR THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

ERRONEOUS STATEMENTS REGARDING IT—WHAT THE REPORT WILL RECOMMEND—A SERIES OF COMMISSIONS—THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISING ARCHITECT OF THE TREASURY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The Joint Committee of Congress, to frame laws for the government of the District of Columbia, expect to be prepared to report shortly after the opening of the session. The general outlines of a scheme of government were practically decided upon early in the Summer, though the formal action of the committee, by which its work will be completed, has not yet been taken. The nature of the committee's report has been successfully guarded from the public, so that the statements which have been published in regard to it are not only inaccurate, but absolutely unfounded, particularly the paragraph which has been going the rounds of the press to the effect that the administration of District affairs was to be distributed to the departments of the General Government, assigning to the Treasury, for instance, the collection and disbursement of the revenues; to the Engineer Corps, the control of public works, &c., which has gained currency as truth, and has been discussed in that view. It is wholly erroneous. The most prominent feature in the new Government proposed by the committee will be the appointment of a commission or board by the President, which will constitute the executive and administrative authority of the District. This board will appoint all the subordinate officers and commissions. It will have very comprehensive powers, and correspondingly great responsibilities. The methods of administering the Government will be based on the most approved and successful methods which have been in operation in the other large cities of the country, and the utmost efficiency and economy will be sought. There will be, for instance, following the plan of other municipal organizations, a Police Commission, a School Commission, a Commission of Public Works, and a Board of Health. It will be observed that a Government established on such a basis as this will be exceedingly strong and centralized, and will, therefore, be widely different from any Government which the District has ever had. Local self-government, through unlimited suffrage and representation, has been thoroughly tried, and its failure is still fresh in mind. The plan of the committee, which would seem to leave very little to the people of the District, goes very far in the opposite direction. At any rate there is to be no District Legislature, and the laws which the Commission will have to execute will all emanate directly from Congress. The reign of ward politicians is at an end. Without regard to details, the foundation of the new Government seems to be for the executive authority enlarged powers, and direct and strict accountability for the good government of the District.

THE SUPERVISING ARCHITECT OF THE TREASURY.

There has been for some months a good deal of discussion in the office of the Supervising Architect over the methods by which the civil service rules were evaded in the appointment of a chief clerk. The hostility of Mr. Mullett to competitive examinations was never concealed. He had the most unbounded confidence in his ability to select men for his subordinates, without the interference of any "board of schoolmasters." Last Spring when Mr. Mills resigned the chief clerkship the appointment of a successor was managed in this way. The method of "natural selection" which Mr. Mullett applied resulted in the choice of Mr. Charles H. Parsons, who was not connected with the bureau. He could not be made chief clerk without the absolute violation of the rules, but there was authority of law for the appointment of an assistant Supervising Architect, and that position being outside of the civil service rules, Mr. Parsons was appointed to fill it, without any examination. After he had occupied this position for a short time he was dropped down, as it were, to the chief clerkship, and this promotion downward being unknown to the civil service rules, required no competition. Of course there was some dissatisfaction among those in the office who were ambitious for promotion, and now that Mr. Mullett has resigned, there is a new discussion of this matter. There will probably be no change in the office, unless upon the recommendation of the successor of Mr. Mullett, who is not yet known; but whenever a vacancy does occur there is no doubt that the position will be filled in accordance with the civil service rules. Secretary Bristow is known to regard with favor the new civil service system of appointments by competitive examinations, and there is reason to believe he will give very decided expression of his opinion on this subject in his forthcoming report.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE TO INDIA, CHINA, AND JAPAN VIA ENGLAND.

In accordance with a notice received from the Post Office Department of Great Britain the postage on newspapers mailed in the United States and addressed for transmission via Southampton to the East Indies, Hong Kong, China, Japan, Ceylon, the Straits settlements, and Labuan has been reduced from six to four cents for each newspaper if not exceeding four ounces in weight, a further rate of four cents being chargeable for every additional four ounces or fraction of four ounces.

THE TREASURY.

The balances in the Treasury at the close of business to-day were as follows: Currency, $15,705,967; special deposit of legal tenders for the redemption of certificates of deposit, $55,810,000; coin, including $28,953,600 in coin certificates, $82,158,735; outstanding legal tenders, $382,000,000. The amount of national bank notes received for redemption to-day was $473,000.

THE MESSAGE.

The Cabinet was in session about two hours to-day, with all the members present except Postmaster General Jewell, who is absent from the city, but he was represented by Assistant Postmaster General Marshall. Most of the session was devoted to a discussion of the features of the annual reports of the various members of the Cabinet, and portions thereof to be embraced in the President's Message.

POSTMASTERS COMMISSIONED.

The President to-day signed commissions for John B. Pearce, Postmaster at Bristol, R. I., and Orlando P. Clark, Postmaster at Waterloo, Ind.

TWIN RIVER POINT LIGHT, WISCONSIN.

The Light-house Board gives notice that on and after Nov. 30, 1874, a light will be shown from the light-house recently erected at Twin River Point, Wisconsin. The light will be fixed white, varied by white flashes every thirty seconds.

NAVY ORDERS.

Lieut. William P. Randall is ordered to duty at the Boston Navy-yard; Lieut. W. F. Swineburne is detached from the Lancaster, South Pacific Station, and placed on waiting orders; Master Thomas A. Wood from the Saco and awaits orders; Passed Assistant Surgeon Charles L. Wanzek is detached from the naval rendezvous at Boston and ordered to the Shawmut at New-Orleans, relieving Passed Assistant Surgeon Burleigh, ordered to the St. Mary's at Boston.

CONSOLIDATION OF REVENUE DISTRICTS.

The Seventh and Ninth Collection Districts of Pennsylvania have been consolidated into the Ninth District, and Henry E. Muhlenburg has been retained as Collector of the consolidated district.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. Dennison, Commissioner of this District, with a number of friends from Columbus, Ohio, called on the President to-day to pay his respects.

THE CHICAGO GRAIN CORNER.

THE BALLOTING FOR THE EXPULSION OF STURGES STOPPED BY AN INJUNCTION—MUCH EXCITEMENT MANIFESTED.

Special Dispatch to The New-York Times.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—At 10 o'clock this forenoon the members of the Board of Trade commenced to cast their ballots for or against the expulsion of W. N. Sturges. The weather was pleasant and the members were out in full force. At 4 P. M. the polls were to close, and during the afternoon considerable of a struggle prevailed. Sturges' friends were moving every influence to defeat all attempts of the board to purge itself of an illegitimate grain dealer. The option ring struggled hard, but decency was in the ascendant, and toward 3 o'clock it became evident that those in favor of his expulsion were in a decided majority. Then Sturges' friends resorted to the courts. Application was made to the Circuit Court, and Judge Williams at once granted a temporary injunction, to prevent the board from taking further action in the premises. Armed with this writ, a Deputy Sheriff presented himself before the bulls and bears, and in the name of the people of the State of Illinois bade the Judges of Election to stay all further proceedings. He then read the document, which not only enjoins the board from expelling King Jack, but forbids them interfering with him in any respect. This *coup d'état* on the part of Sturges created intense excitement. Those who had not voted were permitted to register their names, with a declaration of their intentions in the premises, and thus the matter stands. The Directors have charge of the ballot-box, but they cannot open it until the court has dissolved the injunction.

LOUISIANA.

THE RETURNS—THE NEW OFFICIALS OF NEW-ORLEANS—THE CITY FINANCES.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Nov. 24.—The official vote of New-Orleans Parish has been promulgated, and Gov. Kellogg has prepared the commissions for the newly-elected officials. The Returning Board has resolved to continue the count by parishes in alphabetical order, beginning with Ascension Parish.

The President of the Louisiana National Bank, in a note to Mayor Wiltz, says:

"I am instructed by the managers of the bank to notify you that we avail ourselves of a clause in our agreement with the city, and formally surrender the position of fiscal agent, and that no further payments of interest and coupons will be made under said agreement."

The above indicates a possibility of the city being in default on the December interest, no provision for the payment having been made by the outgoing administration.

SIX MORE BODIES FROM THE EMPIRE WRECK.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Nov. 24.—Six more bodies have been recovered from the wreck of the Empire, including those of Mr. and Mrs. Kemper. The total number of bodies recovered thus far is twenty-three.

THE MASONIC GENERAL CHAPTER AT NASHVILLE, TENN.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 24.—Among the grand officers of the Masonic General Chapter now in session here are Josiah H. Drummond, G. G. H. P., of Maine; Christopher G. Fox, G. G. Secretary, of Buffalo; John McClellan, G. G. Treasurer, of Boston; Representatives James M. Austin, P. G. G. H. P.; James B. Chaffee, D. G. H. P.; David F. Day, G. K., and James P. Pollard, G. S., of New-York. A procession under the escort of the Nashville Commandery of Knights Templar No. 1 was formed at 10 A. M. and conducted the visitors to the hall of the State Capitol, where they were welcomed by Hon. M. B. Howell, of the Masonic fraternity. A Grand Chapter was opened in due form, with James M. Austin, of New-York, as D. G. H. P. The chapter adjourned until 3 P. M., when the G. H. P. will deliver his address.

The General Grand Chapter reassembled at 3 P. M. The General Grand High Priest reported general prosperity throughout the jurisdiction; that Alabama signifies her intention of rejoining the General Grand Chapter; that Georgia and Texas are the only Grand Chapters in the United States yet without the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter, but the prospects are flattering of their ultimately falling into the ranks. He recommended that all Mark Masters of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, be recognised by the Royal Arch Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction, for the reason that said jurisdiction has signified its willingness to reciprocate and recognize Mark Masters from this jurisdiction. After routine business, the Grand Chapter adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow.

DETECTIVE WREN CONVICTED IN RICHMOND, VA.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 24.—Detective John Wren, whose trial for misdemeanor has been progressing for two days in the Hustings Court, was found guilty by the jury this evening. Judge Guigon thereupon imposed upon him the severest penalty of the law in such cases by sentencing him to confinement in the City Jail for twelve months, with hard labor. The indictment upon which Wren was tried was for being accessory, after the fact, in the case of John E. Dull, recently convicted of swindling countrymen out of nearly $600 by a game known in common parlance as "banco," by unlawfully harboring and concealing said Dull. Chief of Detectives William F. Knox, who is charged with the same offense, will be tried on Friday. Police Justice Joseph J. White, implicated in the same case, will also be tried on a similar indictment. Motion for a new trial in Wren's case will be argued to-morrow.

EXTENSION OF THE BOSTON POST OFFICE BUILDING.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—Papers were passed to-day between the United States officials, the City of Boston, and the Merchants' Insurance Company, for the sale to the first-named parties of the estate at the corner of Congress and Water streets, in the rear of the new Post Office, on which it is proposed to place a new wing of the Post Office. The price paid was about $203,000.

On Saturday the new Post Office will be inspected by the Commercial Club and the Board of Trade, and afterward will be thrown open to the public. The entire building will be illuminated from 6 till 9 o'clock P. M.

MASKED ROBBERS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

TITUSVILLE, Penn., Nov. 24.—At 6 o'clock last evening four masked men broke in the door of James Breed, a farmer living five miles from here, and demanded his money. He replied that he had none, and they then tied him to a lounge, and afterward put his feet in the fire to compel him to surrender his money. They ransacked the house, secured about $40, and made their escape.

ARREST OF A MAIL ROBBER.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 24.—A telegram from Montgomery, Ala., states that Capt. John Frey, Special Post Office Agent, arrested E. B. Wentworth, a clerk in the post office of that city, for robbing the mails. Money stolen from letters was found in his possession. He waived examination, and his case was sent before the United States Grand Jury to-day.

THE RECENT GALES.

DESTITUTION APPREHENDED IN TUSCUMBIA, ALA.

APPEAL TO THE PRESIDENT FOR RATIONS—INABILITY TO SUPPLY THEM—RAVAGES OF THE TORNADO IN OTHER LOCALITIES—WRECKS ON THE COAST AND LAKES.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TUSCUMBIA, Ala., Nov. 24.—From reports received to-day it appears that the terrible wind storm which visited Tuscumbia on Sunday evening was also most disastrous in its effects upon the surrounding country. Houses were unroofed and fences blown down in every direction. Large trees were torn from the ground and carried many yards by the storm, crushing cabins and out-houses as they went. After the tornado left Tuscumbia, it seems to have spent its force, or risen above the houses; then, having apparently gained new strength, it came down upon the farm of Benjamin Wilson, six miles from here, and totally destroyed his residence, corn crib, and gin-house. It then passed up a stream known as Pond Creek, leveling thousands of forest trees. Some miles further on the farm-houses and out-buildings of Wilkes Davidson, a well-known citizen, were destroyed, as was also the home of Ira Jarman, an extensive farmer. Scores of negro cabins were blown down, and two black men killed. Several others were slightly wounded.

The loss to Tuscumbia is fully as much as at first reported. Half a million dollars would not replace the buildings that were destroyed and damaged. Among the former were two grist mills, which supplied the town with meal, and the want of this article of food is beginning to be severely felt. Many of the houses that were not blown entirely down have been rendered unfit for habitation, and nearly every building in the place has been more or less damaged.

Since the storm the weather has been warm and no rain has fallen, but should a heavy frost set in the suffering would be very great. In some small houses that were comparatively uninjured fifteen and twenty persons find an inadequate shelter. The hotel is crowded to overflowing. Last night many persons were unable to obtain beds.

Provisions, too, are giving out, and under these circumstances the Mayor of the city has telegraphed to the authorities of other cities for aid. This morning a telegram was sent to President Grant asking him to send Government rations to the sufferers. Secretary Belknap replied that the President regretted that he was unable to do as requested. To-night a dispatch was received from Huntsville, Ala., stating that $1,000 had been subscribed for the sufferers. Other small places in the vicinity have donated some hundreds of dollars, but as yet no supplies of any kind have been received.

The train which went over the embankment at Spring Creek on the night of the storm remains in the same position. The broken bridge cannot be repaired for some days, and all the trains from Memphis are delayed several hours. The baggage-master and fireman who went over the bank with the train are now out of danger, but the condition of the engineer is still critical.

All those who were wounded by the falling buildings are doing well. The wife of Senator Moore and her two children, who were crushed to death by the falling timbers of their dwelling, were buried this morning. All the citizens followed their remains to the grave. Mrs. Winston, another of the victims, was buried in the afternoon.

Many of the buildings which remain standing prove upon examination to be in an unsafe condition, and several of them will have to be torn down.

This evening assurances of assistance were received from all quarters, and the people were more hopeful.

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE TUSCUMBIA AUTHORITIES AND THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The President this morning received the following telegram:

TUSCUMBIA, Ala., Nov. 23.

To His Excellency U. S. Grant, President of the United States:

Last night this town was visited by a tornado which destroyed a large portion of its houses. Ten persons were killed. As a consequence destitution prevails to an extent that no language can express. There is no money in this county, and the sufferings of the destitute cannot be relieved by individuals, and it is therefore this appeal is made to your Excellency for immediate relief by the order of a supply of rations, and I am authorized by a large town meeting to make this appeal. Hoping and believing that your Excellency will respond promptly and plentifully.

(Signed,) DAVID R. LINDSAY,
Chairman of Town Meeting.

Heartily indorsed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. HENRY F. NEWSON, Mayor.

The following reply was sent:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 24, 1874.

David R. Lindsay, Chairman of Town Meeting, or Henry F. Newson, Mayor, Tuscumbia, Ala.:

The President, in reply to your telegram of Nov. 23, greatly regrets that he is unable to comply with your request. The limited appropriations for subsistence for the army will not permit him to issue the subsistance above required.

(Signed,) WILLIAM W. BELKNAP,
Secretary of War.

APPEALS FOR RELIEF.

Mayor Havemeyer received the following dispatches yesterday in relation to the tornado in Alabama:

MONTEVILLO, Ala., Nov. 24, 1874.

To the Mayor of New-York:

The people of Montevillo appeal to your City for aid for the widows and orphans, and other citizens rendered homeless by a terrible hurricane here last night.

G. A. B. SMITH, Secretary.

TUSCUMBIA, Nov. 24, 1874.

To His Honor Mayor Havemeyer, New-York City:

On Sunday night this town was visited by a terrible tornado. Upward of five hundred thousand dollars' worth of property was destroyed. Eleven persons were killed and many wounded. Two hundred are without shelter. We need money to build houses for the destitute and suffering. Will you help us?

H. F. NEWSOM, Mayor.

After receiving these dispatches, the Mayor said he would be happy to receive subscriptions, and forward them for the relief of the sufferers.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—In response to an appeal from the Mayor of Tuscumbia, Mayor Cobb invites contributions from the public.

HOUSE UNROOFED AND A CHURCH DAMAGED AT SUFFERN, N. Y.—DAMAGE AT PROVIDENCE, R. I.

SUFFERN, N. Y., Nov. 24.—By the violent tempest of wind, rain, hail, thunder, and lightning which passed over this place about 4:30 P. M. yesterday, Mrs. John H. Wanamaker's house was unroofed, and the tin roof blown a distance of 500 feet. The front and rear ends of the Methodist Episcopal Church were shaken down, causing $250 damage. The spire of the Episcopal Church was blown down and crushed to pieces, involving a loss of $200. Trees were torn up by the roots, and at one time the air was dark with flying branches stripped from the trees.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 24.—An unfinished frame house in Auburn, near the city, was wrecked during the high wind yesterday.

THE STORM IN NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 24.—During the storm last night Dartmouth suffered more than Halifax. Some unfinished buildings and fences were blown down, and the schooner Lizzie Tupper, laden with potatoes, from Prince Edward's Island, lying at Campbell's wharf, broke loose and drifted upon the Ocean Bride, at the ferry company's wharf, staving a hole in the latter's side and sinking her. The crew of the Ocean Bride escaped to the wharf. The vessel may be raised, but the cargo will be a total loss. No insurance. The Lizzie Tupper had her bow and stern carried away, but managed to keep afloat.

The steamer Alhambra left for Charlottetown, but returned, owing to the heavy sea outside, and still remains in port. The steamers Georgia, for Portland, and Virgo, for Sydney and Newfoundland, are also detained here, but will probably get away before daylight.

HEAVY RAINS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—A heavy rainstorm has prevailed here since Saturday night, flooding cellars and basements in the lower part of the city. The damage is about $30,000.

DISASTERS TO SHIPPING AND OTHER DAMAGE ON THE LAKES—FOUR SAILORS FROZEN TO DEATH.

DUNNVILLE, Ontario, Nov. 24.—The schooner Augustus Ford, loaded with grain, went ashore at Port Maitland last night. Four of the crew were frozen to death. The City of Tawas went ashore at the same place. The sea has carried away about 200 feet of West Pier. It is still blowing a gale.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Save slight loss from high water and the blowing away of sails of the few vessels coming into this port, there never was so little damage reported by so severe a gale as has prevailed here since yesterday at noon. A rumor was current this morning that the Union Company's propeller Dean Richmond was wrecked, but it cannot be traced to any reliable source. The gale has somewhat abated.

PORT COLBORNE, Ontario, Nov. 24.—The water in the canal has reached the level of Lake Erie, and the lock-gates have been thrown open by the shock of the water passing through. This never happened before in the Welland Canal. The water in the harbor has risen six or seven feet.

The storm of last night was one of the most severe ever experienced here. The water dashed over the piers with such force that it was impossible to see the light-houses, and the keepers found it impossible to get out to light the lamps. Much damage was done to the shipping, and to buildings in course of erection.

The propeller Olean, loaded with corn and flour ran in here this morning. She was under Long Point during the gale of yesterday, but commenced to make water, and had to slip her cable and run for a port. She has now almost five feet of water in her hold.

PORT STANLEY, Ontario, Nov. 24.—A heavy gale of wind, accompanied with snow, set in Sunday morning, and continued throughout the whole of Sunday and Monday.

The tug Orient, with the schooner Fostoria in tow for Buffalo, was obliged to leave the schooner at anchor twelve miles west of here, and seek shelter, The Fostoria is still at anchor.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 24.—A special dispatch from Toledo, Ohio, this morning, says the effects of the gale which has been raging for the last twenty-four hours, and which is unabated this morning, are nowhere serious except among the shipping. The river is lowered five feet, and several vessels, including the barge Persian, loaded with 53,000 bushels of grain, are on the bottom.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Nov. 24.—The schooner Augustus Ford, bound from Detroit to Oswego, with wheat, is wrecked at Port Maitland, Lake Erie. The Captain, Joseph Pease, and three of the crew, among them Charles E. Hurd, and a woman cook, were lost.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 24.—No serious damage by the wind-storm of last night is reported in this vicinity. Several vessels which left port in the afternoon were compelled to run back, making the harbor in safety.

DISASTERS ON THE COAST.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 23.—The schooner Water Lilly, lumber laden, from St. George, for Boston, got behind Shooting Rock, near Prout's Neck, in the storm yesterday, and anchored. The waves breaking over her, the crew left her in a boat, which capsized, and the Captain and two of the crew were drowned. The Captain leaves a wife and four children in St. George. The vessel hails from St. John, N. B., but is owned by Mr. McGee, in St. George. She is held by two anchors, but probably strained her seams at low tide, as she is waterlogged.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—The brig Wm. H. Parks, of Charleston, Capt. Dix, of Philadelphia, with a cargo of coal, for Boston, parted her chain cables in the gale of Monday, and went ashore on Harding's Beach, Chatham, Cape Cod. All hands were saved. The brig is of 173 tons register, and was built at Harpswell, Me., in 1851. The schooner Spring Bird, from New-York, for St. John, N. B., is at anchor in Provincetown Harbor, with her mainsail torn.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 24.—Advices from different points on the eastern shore bring no intelligence of disasters from the gale last night. The Cuyahoga reached this port to-day from Superior and reports severe weather but nothing else. A dispatch from Grand Haven to-night says that the severity on the west shore was almost unprecedented, but reports no damage to shipping and but slight local damage.

KINGSTON, Ontario, Nov. 24.—The gale which commenced on Sunday still continues. The only marine disaster in this vicinity, so far reported, is the sinking of the old tug steamer America at one of the docks.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The increase in tonnage of the United States in 1874 over 1873 is 239 vessels and 127,837 tons.

The Nova Scotia Legislature has been dissolved, and the elections will be held before Christmas.

The trial of the boy Pomeroy, the murderer of Katie Curran, in Boston, has been fixed for Dec. 8.

An American company is negotiating with the Dominion Government to supply rails for a portion of the Pacific Railroad.

Bishop Lynch, of South Carolina, (Roman Catholic,) lectured at Dedham, Mass., last night on "Bismarck and the Church."

The Marine and Fisheries Department of Canada has issued an order to prevent the throwing of saw-dust into the rivers, as it interferes with navigation.

A company is being formed in Montreal to erect a magnificent hotel, to be modeled to a great extent after the Windsor Hotel, on Fifth avenue, New-York. The estimated cost is $500,000.

It is intimated that on account of continued ill-health, Hon. Austin F. Pike, Representative to Congress from the Manchester, N. H., district, will decline to be a candidate for re-election.

A woman named Martin was found dead in her bed, in South Hamilton street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., yesterday morning. It is believed that she was strangled by her husband, Michael Martin, who is under arrest.

Mr. Morris, of Kenniple & Morris, London, England, appointed by the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal and Quebec to locate a site for a graving-dock at the latter place, has recommended St. Joseph, on the Levis side of the river.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

The steam-barge Neptune was totally destroyed by fire at East Saginaw, Mich., yesterday. The loss is $18,000, and the insurance $10,000.

At 11 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the grist mill and elevator of Dickson & Co., at No. 67 Quay street, Albany, N. Y. The flames spread rapidly and enveloped the whole structure, destroying it with its contents. The building was stored with grain belonging to merchants of the city. The loss cannot fall short of $50,000.

THE PIG-IRON TRADE.

MEETING OF PRODUCERS IN PHILADELPHIA.

GENERAL DEPRESSION OF THE TRADE—A STOPPAGE OF MANUFACTURE NECESSARY—THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED—ANOTHER MEETING TO BE HELD.

Special Dispatch to The New-York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24.—A few days ago a meeting of a portion of the pig iron trade was held at Allentown, in the Lehigh Valley, at which it was decided that the manufacturers engaged in that industry should take summary action toward a material curtailment of production. This morning, a larger meeting was held in this city, embracing producers from the Lehigh, Schuylkill, and Susquehanna valleys of this State, together with interested parties from New-Jersey and Maryland. Among those present were T. H. Morris, of Morris, Wheeler & Co., Philadelphia and Pottstown Iron Company, Pottstown, Penn.; J. B. Moorehead, Merion Furnaces, West Conshohocken, Penn.; B. S. Levan, Lehigh Valley Iron Company, Coplay, Penn.; Dr. L. Rook, Union Furnace, Lewistown, Penn.; W. H. Ainey, Lehigh Iron Company, Allentown, Penn.; William Stickney, Stickney Iron Company, Baltimore, Md.; Horace Brook, Birdsboro' Iron and Nail Company, Birdsboro', Penn.; Dennis Bauman, Carbon Iron Company, Parryville, Penn.; B. B. Thomas, Conestoga Furnace, Lancaster, Penn., and Matilda Furnace, Mt. Union, Penn.; Samuel Fulton, Plymouth Furnace, Conshohoken, Penn.; William E. S. Baker, Duncannon Iron Furnace, Duncannon, Penn.; James Hooven, Norristown Iron Works, Norristown, Penn.; J. H. Landis, Middletown Furnace, Middletown, Penn.; Percival Roberts, Glamorgan Furnaces, Lewistown, Penn.; G. W. Whitaker, Sancon Iron Company, Hellertown, Penn.; C. S. Kauffmann, Kauffmann Furnaces, Columbia, Penn.; Isaac McHose, Temple Iron Company, Reading, Penn.; Hon. G. Dawson Coleman, Lebanon Furnaces, Lebanon, Penn.; Samuel J. Reeves, Phœnix Iron Company, Phœnixville, Penn. The call which effected the assemblage of this large number of representative men stated that if production were continued at the present rate it was impossible to obviate serious consequences to the trade, and in many cases financial ruin would result. There is scarcely any hope for a favorable reaction in prices or in the demand before Spring, and even then, it is thought, any improvement must be slow and gradual; consequently all agree in expressing the opinion that a united effort must be made to reduce the output of pig-iron. The importance of a full representation of this great interest was urged, and although the gathering was of large dimensions, it was thought that a more complete meeting was necessary to enable the country at large to be heard from.

W. H. Ainey, Esq., called the meeting to order and Hon. G. Dawson Coleman was chosen Chairman. Mr. George W. Cope, Assistant Secretary of the American Iron and Steel Association, in whose rooms the convention was held, acted as Secretary. An expression of views was called for by Mr. Samuel J. Reeves, which elicited interesting responses from several gentlemen well versed in the trade. Mr. Ainey stated that the despondent condition of affairs in the Lehigh Valley gave rise to the call. Ruin, he said, must be the inevitable result if production was continued. He took a very unfavorable aspect of the present state of business, and suggested the formation of an "Ironmongers' Exchange," which should have branches in all the producing counties for the purpose of regulating the price of pig-iron. The production has for several months past only been one-half the capacity of the furnaces, and, with the exception of the Allentown Iron Company, there has been a laxity of operations everywhere. If all the furnaces had been run on shorter time the situation at present would be very greatly improved. There is too much stock, and with only one-third the ordinary demand, except from pipe mills, the large production is unwarranted.

Dr. Rook declared that there is now made in the upper Susquehanna as much iron as was produced fifteen years ago, yet there is no demand for more than half the output. This has been the case with the company which he represented, and it was his earnest desire that the meeting would resolve upon a curtailment of production, and settlement upon a price for the iron now on hand. If the existing method of operations is pursued, it must certainly result in general and uniform injury.

Mr. Eckert said that the stock on hand in the Schuylkill Valley had not increased so largely as in other sections, but he thought relief measures should be decided upon, and nowhere would a brightening state of trade be looked upon with more interest than in the portion of the State from which he came.

Mr. C. S. Kaufman stated that the Lower Susquehanna had its share of the "stacks" out, and with a view of ameliorating the pig-iron trade, he believed a combination was advisable. He agreed with the other speakers in their opinions of the despondent condition of business, and concluded by saying that iron producers would be compelled either to "blow out" or "blow up."

Mr. Samuel J. Reeves said that, although one of the two furnaces of his company had been blown out, it would have been better if both had stopped, but they continued because their workingmen would suffer by idleness, and the village of Phœnixville would experience considerable disadvantage. He thought pig-iron men were not as badly situated as bar-iron men. One necessity for the trade is the reduction of the prices of coal and transportation, and if this were effected an easier state of affairs would be the result. Of course everybody has been waiting to see whether the price of iron had reached its lowest figure, and no one would pay the present rates if there was any probability of its going lower.

Several other gentlemen commented upon the situation, reiterating the views expressed by the previous speaker.

Mr. G. W. Whitaker deprecated the existence of a coal combination, and Mr. C. S. Kaufman thought it would be less expensive to pay the men employed about the furnaces $4 or $5 per week than to run at present.

Mr. Bennett observed that wages were not so low in Pittsburg as in the East, for in the western part of the State the pig-iron men own the coal they use, and are not subjected to the influence of any such coal combination as exists in this section. The Western producers possessed no advantages in transportation in freights East over Eastern freights West, for in some instances Eastern freight men have sold plate West lower than Western men can make it. Formerly, he bought three-fourths of his iron along the Susquehanna, but now so many furnaces have been established through the West that mills in that locality supply him. Half the furnaces in the West have blown out, and everything has been so contracted that foundry iron has been sold almost as low as pig-iron. The bottom price will not, therefore, be reached as long as buyers can go into the market and find producers willing to sell at any figure. The lowest price is only reached when a reaction sets in. He thought that if the producers of pig-iron would agree to blow out, within the next sixty days, for four months, foundry iron would in that time sell at $32 in the Lehigh Valley.

Mr. Coleman said that this trade in the Mississippi Valley was lost, and was in the hands of the bituminous pig-iron men. The only course to be pursued now is to blow out and force the coal men to come down in their exorbitant demands. They would be compelled to do this if the iron men stopped using coal. It would not be long before good coke would be found somewhere else than at Connellsville, whence it could be carried cheaply to the East.

The debate was continued without any very important statement being made, except that Mr. Thomas, who, representing both the coal and iron interests, said that the arrangement among the coal men should be also effected among the iron trade. He thought it was a mistake to say that the iron men had been imposed upon, but that the policy of preservation should lead them to combine, as the coal-operators had done. He believed, however that the suspension or reduction of production would have a potent effect in reviving this vitally important industry.

The following resolutions were then offered by Mr. Ainey, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it must be self-evident to all furnace-owners that the large reduction in the demand for the consumption of pig-iron imperatively demands a corresponding reduction in the amounts produced, and that a continuance of the present over-production cannot fail to result in accomplishing the ruin of the trade.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that an earnest effort ought to be made to accomplish a reduction of the make of pig-iron, and that with this in view a committee of seven be appointed to devise some plan to that end.

Resolved, That the Chairman *pro tem.* of the pig-iron branch of the American Iron and Steel Association be requested to call a meeting of all the pig-iron manufacturers of the country at the rooms of the association on the 10th day of December 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Resolved, That a committee in each of the several districts, classified as in the list of iron works, be appointed to wait upon the furnace owners therein, and urge their attendance at the general meeting, and ascertain the views of those not able to attend.

A committee was appointed, in compliance with the above resolutions, consisting of William H. Ainey, Allentown; C. S. Kauffmann, Columbia; G. W. Whitaker, Hellertown; J. B. Moorehead, Conshohocken; G. Dawson Coleman, Lebanon; H. S. Eckert, Reading; Horace Brooke, Baltimore. This committee will make a canvass of the country, as far as practicable, for the purpose of securing a large attendance at the next meeting, and gaining a thorough expression of opinion in regard to the best methods of influencing a revival of the pig-iron trade. As the meeting next month is likely to be a very large and highly important one, the convocation to-day is regarded in the light of a preparatory gathering, from which will spring advantageous results. Thirty-five establishments were represented to-day; hundreds will send delegates to the next meeting. The general feeling of the gentlemen in attendance this afternoon was far from hopeful, and the sentiments of nearly all of them were gloomy and despondent. It is believed that forcible and decisive action will speedily be taken, and in such a direction that a resuscitation of the iron trade must follow.

MINNESOTA.

THE VOTE FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS—MAJORITIES FOR THE REPUBLICANS.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 24.—The Election Canvassers finished their labors at a late hour last night. Only the vote for Congressmen was canvassed. The vote for Supreme Judges will be counted by the Legislature. The majority of Dunnell, Rep., over Waite, Dem., is 2,995. In the Second District the majority for Strait, Rep., over Cox, Dem., is 221. In the Third District the majority for King, Rep., over Wilson, Dem., is 2,348.

The attorney for E. St. Julien Cox appeared before the board, and claimed that the vote of Lincoln and Monongalia Counties should not be counted in the returns of the Second District, because of alleged informalities. Even if these votes were thrown out Cox would not be elected. But the board refused to entertain the proposition. Gov. Davis, one of the members of the board, closed his review of the case as follows: "It is clearly the duty of the Board to ascertain who was returned the highest number of votes, and issue a certificate to the same: and to do more would be to go beyond the limit of power vested in the board, and trespass upon that of Congress."

THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS AND PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25—1 A. M.—The barometer has risen in the districts north of the Gulf and South Atlantic States. It is highest in the Missouri Valley, and continues very low in the St. Lawrence Valley. Cold and generally clear weather and north-west winds prevail in the Mississippi and Missouri Valleys, the South-west and the upper lake region. Light snow and brisk westerly winds prevail in the lower lake region. The cloudiness has increased in the Eastern Gulf and South Atlantic States, with light rain near the coast. Generally clear and cool weather continues in New-England and the Middle States. The Ohio, Allegheny, Monongahela, and Cumberland Rivers have risen. The Missouri has risen at Hermann and Jefferson City, and fallen at St. Joseph.

PROBABILITIES.

For the South Atlantic and Eastern Gulf States, light rain will prevail near the coast, followed by clearing and cooler weather, north-west to south-west winds, and rising barometer.

For the Western Gulf States, Tennessee, the Ohio Valley, partly cloudy and cool weather, north or west winds, and rising barometer.

For the upper lake region and the North-west, clear or fair weather, westerly winds, backing to southerly, low but rising temperature, and rising, followed by falling, barometer east of the Missouri Valley.

For the lower lake region, cloudy weather and areas of light snow with westerly winds, rising barometer and temperature below freezing.

For New-England and the Middle States, colder, partly cloudy weather, with north or west winds, and slowly-rising barometer, followed by threatening weather in Virginia and Maryland.

For the canal region of New-York the temperature will continue below freezing during Wednesday night.

The Ohio River will rise at the stations below Marietta.

IN THIS CITY.

The following record shows the changes in the temperature during the last twenty-four hours, in comparison with corresponding date last year, as recorded at Hudnut's drug store:

	1873.	1874.		1873.	1874.
3 A. M.	41°	42°	3 P. M.	44°	39°
6 A. M.	43°	39°	6 P. M.	43°	34°
9 A. M.	47°	38°	9 P. M.	41°	31°
12 M.	45°	39°	12 P. M.	40°	39°
Average					37⅝°
Average corresponding date last year					43°

CLOSING NAVIGATION.

QUEBEC, Canada, Nov. 24.—The Richelieu Company's steamer Montreal left for Montreal this morning on her last trip of the season, having been detained since yesterday by the storm. The Quebec and Union Company's steamers went into Winter quarters to-day. There are still two ships at sea, the Lake Erie and the Slane's Castle. The former sailed this afternoon. The river is quite clear of ice. All the pontoons at the steam-boat wharves have been placed in Winter quarters, and things generally assume a wintry aspect.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 24.—A La Crosse dispatch says navigation is closed at that point, the Mississippi being full of floating ice.

STRIKING OPERATIVES IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24.—The strike at Dobson's mills, on the Falls of the Schuylkill, is at an end, the operatives having resumed work yesterday.

On Monday many of the employes in the fullers and dyers' department in Schofield's mill struck, because of a proposed ten per cent. reduction. To-day the other operatives started to go to work but found the mill closed. They posted up a placard announcing that they had struck, and requesting none to apply for work during the continuance of the strike. There are 600 persons employed in this mill.

ALLEGED WHITE LEAGUE VIOLENCE.

WASHINGTON, Nov.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

DECEMBER MAGAZINES.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.

Although not presenting anything especially striking, the *Atlantic* this month contains a series of uniformly entertaining papers. The space devoted to fiction is taken up by a further installment of Mr. W. D. Howells' "Foregone Conclusion," and a short story by Ajax T. Lamon "About a Barrel of Lard." Mr. Robert Dale Owen continues his "Results from My Spiritual Studies," this time rather defending the cause of Spiritualism than adding to the many startling experiences he has already enumerated. An appreciative criticism of Mr. Aldrich's poetry, by Edgar Fawcett; a curious compilation on "Old Trees," by J. S. Barry; a paper on the "Righteousness of Money-making," by Edward Atkinson; a well-written essay on "Water-color Painting," read originally by H. S. Mackintosh before the Boston Art Club; a description of Martha's Vineyard, by N. S. Shaler; and a short comparison between English and American scenery, by E. S. Nadal, are, one and all, full of interest and value. Mr. George Cary Eggleston continues his "Rebel's Recollections" with a graphic account of the feeling in the South at the close of the war. His description of the conduct of the negroes and of the character of the negro race is particularly interesting. He says:

"When the men of the South were nearly all in the army, the negroes were left in large bodies on the plantations, with nobody to control them except the women and a few old or infirm men. They might have been insolent, insubordinate if they had chosen. They might have gained their freedom by asserting it. They might have overturned the social and political fabric at any time, and they knew all this, too. They were intelligent enough to know that there was no power on the plantations capable of resisting any movement they might choose to make. They did know, too, that the success of the Federal arms would give them freedom. The fact was talked about everywhere, and no effort was made to keep the knowledge of it from them. They knew that to assert their freedom was to give immediate success to the Union cause. And yet they remained quiet, faithful, and diligent throughout every form of thinkable trouble of any sort, even on plantations where only a few women remained to control them. The reason for all this must be sought in the negro character, and we of the South, knowing that character thoroughly, trusted it implicitly. We left our homes and our helpless ones in the keeping of the Africans of our households without any hesitation whatever. * * * The negro is constitutionally loyal to his obligations as he understands them, and his attachments, both local and personal, are unconquerably strong. He speedily forgets an injury, but never a kindness, and so he was not likely to rise in arms against the helpless women and children whom he had known intimately, and loved almost reverentially from childhood, however strongly he desired the freedom which such a rising would secure to him. * * * And so throughout the war they acted after their kind, waiting for the issue with the great, calm patience which is their most universal characteristic."

The poetry this month comprises contributions from Longfellow, J. M. Thompson, A. R. Grote, G. P. Lathrop, Hiram Rich, and Paul H. Hayne, all of which are well worthy the place they have found.

HARPER'S MONTHLY.

The coming transit of Venus is here described with more perspicuity than in most of the other popular papers on the subject that have come before us. It is from the pen of Prof. Newcomb. We have also the second paper of the series descriptive of the material progress of the Republic during the first century of its existence; a continuation of Señor Castelar's contributions on the Republican movement in Europe, wherein he gives a brilliant notice of Rousseau, De Foe, and Pestalozzi; a clever description of St. Augustine, Fla., by Miss Constance Fenimore Woolson; a paper on the genesis of the New-England Churches, prepared in reference to Dr. Bacon's recent book upon the same subject; and another excellent article on Decorative Art and Architecture in England, from the pen of Mr. M. D. Conway. It will be remembered that one of the greatest losses caused by the recent explosion of gunpowder on the Regent's Canal, London, was the destruction of Townsend House, the residence of the artist L. Alma Tadema. Mr. Conway has given us a description of this house, which we quote:

"Passing beneath the cheery 'Salve' written over the front door, we at once meet with a significant piece of art. On each side of the rather narrow hall is a door; one leads into a parlor, the other into a library, and as they are just opposite each other the doors are made to open outward and, when open, meet. Now, when it is desirable, the two doors when open make a wall across the hall; this extemporized wall has its panels painted, and thus a pretty passage is made for the occasional dooms. One thing in the Townsend House is very peculiar; the ceilings are generally covered with the same paper as the walls. There is a dado of matting, with touches of color in it, or else painted in some color related to the paper, but of a deeper shade, and above this a uniform paper with but slight freize. The corridors have the creamy pomegranate paper, which carries a cool light through them. A small back room on the first floor has been Orientalized into a charming place by a skillful use of rugs, mats, &c., on the floor, and on the Persian divans fixed against the wall, which is covered with a silvery and pinkish paper. The chief bedroom in the house presents the novelty of walls entirely hung with a rich dark and reddish chintz, with white stripes flowing from ceiling to floor, the effect being a sober Persian. The bed is hung and covered with the same stuff, and the lower part of each window is made into a cushioned seat of the same. The ceiling in this case is of a pearl-white, and there is plenty of light. This room appeared to me, though not large, the most luxurious of all. It was indeed, an entire room made into the appropriate environment of a bed. In another bedroom I observed how beautifully the light may be regulated by the use of double curtains, one of dark green when darkness is desired, the other of a fine tracing cloth, which is more snowy than the glass of an astral lamp, while it similarly softens and diffuses light.

Throughout Townsend House there is a beauty derived from the fact that every ornament is subordinate to the purpose of the room which contains it. The dining-room, for instance, opens into a beautiful garden; it is therefore not simply an eating-room, but must in some weathers do duty as the salon for a garden party. The rich dado of matting is especially well placed in such a room as this, which is large and luminous. It is capped by a chair-board, which is ingeniously adorned with cockle-shells, and still more at one point with the first name of the mistress of the house painted in antique golden letters. Above this there is a cream-colored paper of squares, with roses and birds, a hanging which I have already spoken of as unpleasant in bedrooms or sitting-rooms; but in this large dining-room, which opens into a garden, the effect of it is remarkably fine. The cornice is Eastern-egg (variously and carefully colored) beneath a higher member of grape and leaf, also colored. The whole of one end of this room is covered by a rich drapery of fine Indian dyes, elegantly striped. The servants' entrance is behind a large screen of gold leather.

Throughout this beautiful house there are little arrangements for convenience, always attended by beauty, which are altogether indescribable—a head or a spring of ivy painted in some panel, or a little gauze curtain draping a casual opening. But I must particularly note in the drawing-room a beautiful capping to the dado. It is a white molding of the Elgin marble reliefs, and most beautifully fringes the dark-figured stuff of the dado."

There are three short stories contributed respectively by Fannie Burnett, Justin McCarthy, and Rev. W. M. Baker, author of "Mose Evans;" and Mr. Mason's "Rape of the Gamp" progresses with increasing interest. The principal poetical contribution is by Miss M. C. Pike, who takes for her subject a legend of the Hudson, and treats it with considerable power.

SCRIBNER'S MONTHLY.

The valuable series of papers on the Great South, by Mr. Edward King, are this month brought to a conclusion, with some notes on Kentucky and Tennessee. A large portion of the chapter is devoted to a vivid description, well illustrated, of the Mammoth Cave, which is well worth perusal. Mr. King thus describes a scene in the Star Chamber:

"Here our guide had prepared a genuine surprise for us. Mysteriously commanding us to be seated in a dark corner, he suddenly seized the lights, and saying that he would return to find us on the morrow, withdrew. We heard his sonorous voice echoing along the galleries as he hurried back over the pathway, and while we were yet wondering what was the object of this sudden manœuvre, we saw above us twinkling stars, and seemed to catch a glimpse of the blue sky from which we had thought ourselves shut out by the solid rock. Indeed, a stronger was the illusion that we fancied we could feel the fresh air blowing upon us, and for a few moments, imagined that the guide had conveyed us by some roundabout way to the mouth of the cave, and then had gently left us that we might enjoy the surprise of the sudden burst upon the vision. But soon the truth broke upon us. Our guide was covered with a myriad sparkling incrustations which resemble the stars, and the artful guide, by a careful display of his lamps and the use of Bengal lights, had produced a magical effect. The ceiling, which was not more than forty feet from our heads, had seemed as remote as the heavens. It was like the early dawn, when the stars seem no longer to belong in the sky, and when they are gradually fading away. The guide, in the distance, imitated to perfection the crowing of the morning cock, and then burst into loud laughter as, removing the lamps, he took away with them the deceit, and returned to us."

Another noteworthy article is one entitled "The Silver Age," from the pen of W. C. Conant, descriptive of the progress of silver manufacture in this country, and of the influence which has been exercised in it by the Gorham Manufacturing Company, which now turns out work which for both design and finish is fully equal to the best European manufactures.

"Plated ware," says Mr. Conant, "originated in England about the middle of the last century, the first application having been made to small articles in 1749 by Thomas Bolsover, a Sheffield mechanic. The new elegance brought within the means and supposed proprieties of the middle class took the name of 'Sheffield plate,' not from the process of plating, but from the silverware of which it was an imitation. Plate, in this sense, is not our Saxon word cognate with *fat*, but was borrowed from the Spanish *plata* (silver) and applied to all utensils made of the precious metals, in whatever form.

A further and greater advance was made in 1838 by the invention of electro-plating, or rather the practical application of the method which had been known, but strangely neglected, for thirty years. At one stroke plating was greatly reduced in cost, its applications indefinitely extended, and its effects incomparably improved. Everybody in America is now familiar with the ordinary wares of our numerous electro-plating companies, and there is hardly a cottage worth $200 in the country where such wares are not found; although the rich plating of the Elkintons in England and the Gorhams in America is too high in first cost for the strictly popular demand.

Within half a century the business of the American silversmith was mostly confined to making spoons to order for the jewelers, who rarely purchased more than one or two dozen at a time for particular orders. About 1825 it was noticed that the silversmiths began to venture into the manufacture of light spoons for general sale through a class of cheap jewelry peddlers, who are still well remembered by natives of the New-England of that period. The Providence manufacture had begun to be extended and brought into national relations by the enterprise of a young goldsmith named Jabez Gorham, who adapted his work to the general requirements of the trade, and made his way with it in the Boston market by underselling and outpushing the unmercantile mechanics of his craft. The droll account the old gentleman, who died about 6 years ago, used to give of his semi-annual marketing in Boston, is more expressive than a general description could be, of the very modest statis of the now imposing silver trade of our chief cities—how the Boston jewelers assembled at his lodgings, pursuant to notice, that they might be all admitted at the same moment, without partiality, to view and divide the little trunkful of new jewelry spread out upon his bed."

Other illustrated articles are "Rambles in Madeira," by S. G. W. Benjamin, and "The Probabilities of Rivers," by Frank Y. Commagère; also, in fiction, the continuation of Jules Verne's "Mysterious Island." There are also contributions by Saxe Holm, Miss Woolson, and Miss Hopkins; besides poems by Celia Thaxter, Josephine Pollard, and others. The editorial notes are varied and opportune, and, for the special benefit of the ladies, there are two or three pages on the fashions.

THE GALAXY.

In "Leah: a Woman of Fashion," Mrs. Annie Edwards appears to be imitating much of the moral tone that was developed in some of Miss Braddon's earlier efforts. The seventh chapter is reached in this number. There is an abundance, too, of other light reading, including the first part of a Norwegian story by H. H. Boyesen, a tale by Miss Woolson, and another capital one in verse by John G. Saxe. Mr. G. L. Austin contributes a second article on engraving, which is full of instruction; Mr. J. Q. Howard discourses on the "Duration of the Executive Term;" Mr. James Freeman Clarke, on the recent address of Prof. Tyndall; and Mr. Albert Rhodes, on Emile De Girardin as a journalist. The familiar name of Richard Grant White appears this time as the author of a gossiping article on several things, all connected with his special studies. He hits Mistress Elizabeth Stuart Phelps very hard for her recent attack upon the marriage service, and subsequently expresses his opinion about interviewers and interviewing.

Besides an average proportion of verses in this number, the scientific summary is of usual completeness, and literary notices and editorial gossip make up the contents.

THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY.

The contents of this magazine are of an unusually instructive and interesting character. We have continuations of the "Natural History of the Oyster," by Rev. J. Lockwood; of the ingenious investigations into the "Paces of the Horse," begun in the previous number; and of Dr. Charlton Bastian's important inquiry into the "Thermal Death-point of Living Matter," the practical application of which we have before alluded to. An article on "Odors and Life," by Fernand Papillon, translated from the *Moniteur Scientifique* by Mr. Macdonough, and an address by Prof. Joseph Lovering, delivered before the American Association, will be found to contain much very useful and entertaining reading; while another contribution on the transit of Venus, this time from the pen of Prof. S. P. Langley, of the Alleghany Observatory, will serve to throw additional light upon the event which is now agitating the astronomical world. Dr. Nathan Allen offers some brief but suggestive remarks on the Physiological Basis of Mental Culture. We have room for one paragraph only, but it contains a hint that merits notice. Dr. Allen says:

"In the advancing knowledge of physiology it has been discovered that all mental culture should be based upon the brain—that education should be pursued in harmony with the laws of life and health, and that, where these are violated, the advantages of the former afford poor compensation. Formerly no attention, or scarcely any, was paid by school boards and teachers, in the matter of education, to the condition of the body or the development of the brain, and even at the present day very little is paid them, compared with what should be given to these great physical laws which underlie all mental culture. The lives of a multitude of children and youth are sacrificed every year in this Commonwealth by violating the laws of physiology and hygiene, through mistaken or wrong methods of mental training; besides, the constitution and health of a multitude of others are thus impaired or broken down for life. Nowhere else in society is a radical reform needed more than in our educational systems. Inasmuch as the laws of the body lie at the foundation of all proper culture, they should receive the first consideration. But, in educating the boy or girl, from the age of five to fifteen, how little attention is given to the growth and physical changes which necessarily occur at this most important period of life! The age of the child should be considered; the place of schooling, the hours of confinement and recreation, the number and kinds of studies, together with the modes of teaching, should all harmonize with physical laws—especially those of the brain."

Apropos of the absurd legislation about dogs and the education of dog stealers, which recently made our civic rulers a laughing stock to the civilized world, Dr. Charles P. Russell has compiled a clever article on "Some Superstitions About Hydrophobia," which should be instructive, as it is curious and timely. An article on "The Great Conflict," by Dr. Draper, and a sketch, with portrait, of Dr. Lawrence Smith complete the list of contents, always excepting the usual editorial and literary notes, which, by the way, contain one item that deserves careful reading. We refer to an article by Dr. Newcomb on the condition of American science. It commends itself to the attention of both the scientific world and the general public.

ANOTHER GARROTER CAPTURED.

Joseph Cisney, one of the garroting highwaymen who, on Saturday night last, garroted and robbed Robert J. Menare, of No. 511 Eleventh avenue, of a gold watch, as reported in THE TIMES of Monday, was yesterday taken into custody. His confederate, Joseph Craig, was captured on Sunday and committed for examination in default of $6,000 bail. Cisney was taken before Justice Ottenburg, at the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday afternoon, and similarly disposed of. In his personal examination, the accused says he is twenty-two years of age, a sawdust boy by trade, and resides on Fifty-sixth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues. The Police assert that Cisney has served a term in State Prison for a similar offense. One of the men in custody gave his name as Thomas Hughes, and the other as Thomas Smith. Both refused to make any statement in regard to the charge against them, and were committed for examination.

THE COURTS.

EXCISE LAW VIOLATIONS.

ATTITUDE OF THE DELINQUENT DEALERS—THE EXCISE BOARD DETERMINED TO PROSECUTE—THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY ACTING IN ACCORD—NAMES OF INDICTED DEALERS.

Notwithstanding the fact that the case of Sigismund Schwab was regarded by the delinquent liquor-dealers as a test, and that consequently the verdict rendered on it last Monday was calculated to fill their minds with great apprehension, the Excise Board merely took upon it as the sustaining of a law with the requirements of which the convicted dealer was or ought to have been familiar. The concise but perfectly clear charge of Judge Barrett, the Commissioners hold, left but one course for an intelligent jury—the conviction of the accused. It had been proven beyond doubt by an authorized agent of the board, and even by the partially-veiled admission of Schwab himself, that he did violate the law, by selling to the former a quantity of liquor less than five gallons, without being, at the time the sale was effected, possessed of a license. The point of law raised by the counsel for the defense, upon what was characterized as the "illegal" and "oppressive" spirit of the system of graded license fees, was also proven to be senseless. When the Commissioners of Excise found it expedient to adopt the present scale of fees, they were impelled to the measure in order to meet the demands of the various grades in the traffic, and not from motives of oppression, as has been charged against them. According to these facts, then, and that which asserts the right of the board to fix the rates according to its discretion, it appears that the unlicensed liquor-dealers have no legal strength in their position, and that all attempts at defending their illegal acts must necessarily fall through. That the force of this argument is felt by them was manifest in the hurried call for a special meeting of "The Liquor-dealers' Protective Association" immediately after the verdict of the jury was made known, and in the wild language of the uncouth resolution that was adopted thereat.

This Liquor-dealers' Protective Association is regarded by the Board of Excise as its chief antagonist, numbering as it does among its members the bulk of those who have been peremptorily refused licenses on the ground of keeping disorderly and disreputable establishments, and who have had over $30,000, deposited with the board on filing application, returned to them for that reason. The association was established last October, for the express purpose of making a concentrated effort in resistance to the law, the ultimatum of the board being the chief incentive for organization. It is asserted that its officers and the majority of its members are proprietors of establishments after the character of those alluded to in the following extract from the annual report of the board lately transmitted to the Mayor: "What we considered as another great evil, productive of crime and immorality, was the 'bucket-shop' so-called, a place where no bar is kept, nor accommodation pertaining to an 'inn, tavern or hotel,' but where liquor is furnished from a cask to men, women, and children, white or black alike, to be drunk upon the premises, or carried away in teacups, pitchers, cans, and all manner of utensils; and we at once determined that we could not consistently license such places, and we also determined to withhold license from grocers who made a practice of keeping a bar exposed to the gaze of women and children who came for the purchase of the necessaries of life, and could see men around the bar drinking and carousing, we regarding such a sight as demoralizing to those women and children. Gambling hells, resorts of disorderly characters, and low concert-rooms were other places we concluded not to license. Although the greater number of the members of the organization are reported as proprietors of such establishments as are described in the above extract, it also numbers in its roll the names of many passably respectable dealers, who, however, have mainly been attracted to its ranks under promises of 'protection.'"

Encouraged by the verdict in the case of Schwab, the Commissioners are now firmly resolved to press the indictment and prosecution of these and other violations of the law. The City will be carefully canvassed for a full list of delinquents, and the evidence obtained will, it is said, be handed in at once to the counsel of the board for presentation to the Grand Jury. The following is a list of the indictments now in the office of the District Attorney awaiting trial, and which Mr. Phelps is determined to bring to a speedy determination, unless the parties show an inclination to comply with the requirements of the statute:

James Cherry, corner of Rector and Greenwich streets; Patrick Farrell, No. 330 Water street; Timothy Farrell, No. 328 Water street; James H. Farrell, No. 76 Washington street; Paul Falk, No. 18 St. Mark's place, (three indictments;) William C. Yorke, No. 325 Water street; John H. McKinly, south-west corner of Fulton and South streets; Christian Hilkmeyer, No. 133 Greenwich street; M. Yost, south-east corner of Greenwich and Robbers; Andrew Hay, No. 475 Greenwich street; John Drake, No. 27 Barclay street; Loring M. Black, No. 14 Ann street; John Katt, No. 314 Monroe street; James Lane, north-west corner of One Hundred and Fifteenth street and Third avenue; John P. Dettmar, south-east corner of Willet and Stanton streets; Robert Peters, No. 123 Christie street; Robert De Lacey, No. 257 Stanton street; James M. Cummiskie, No. 553 First avenue; John McDonald, No. 104 East One Hundred and Tenth street; John Ledoux, No. 693 Second avenue; Henry Norman, No. 1,110 Third avenue; John Seely, No. 78 Amity street; Lewis Lanker, Seventy-seventh street, between First avenue and Avenue A; Francis Kelly, No. 24 West street; James Reilly, No. 301 East Forty-sixth street; Edward McGlovern, north-west corner of Third avenue and Fifteenth street; Louis Bramson, north-west corner of Third avenue and Fourteenth street; Thomas Carroll, One Hundred and Thirty-first street, between Broadway and Tenth avenue; Thomas O'Sullivan, No. 107 Bayard street; John F. Welter, north-east corner of One Hundred and Sixteenth street and First avenue; Thomas Ryan, No. 860 Broadway; A. L. Packard, north-west corner of Thirty-sixth street and Sixth avenue; Michael Fagan, No. 321 Third avenue; Martin Nachiman, No. 11 Delancey street; C. A. Chamberlin, No. 1,146 Broadway; Henry Shute, No. 127 Prince street; Herrman Buddioman, No. 14 Franklin street; James Shiels, No. 219 East Broadway; E. R. Wonder, No. 141 Thompson street; John H. Beits, No. 64 Whitehall street; John Flanigan and David O'Brien, No. 36 Rutgers street; John Herkenreder, No. 46 West Fourth street; Michael Cramer, No. 705 Second avenue; Thomas Burke, No. 330 West street; John S. Hillker, north-east corner of Eighty-ninth street and First avenue; John R. Fry, south-west corner of Jackson and Grand streets; Bridget Ryan, No. 258 Mott street; Henry Miller, No. 126 Elm street; William Harris, south-west corner of One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Tenth avenue; Hiram Downs, One Hundred and Third street and Broadway.

Sigismund Schwab, the dealer already convicted in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, and who was to have furnished bail, was yesterday surrendered by the President of the Liquor-dealer's Association. Later in the day Schwab appeared in court with a bondsman, vainly looking for a Judge to approve his bond.

THE HACKLEY CONTRACT.

THE PROFITS ON STREET-CLEANING, AND HOW THE CONTRACT WAS OBTAINED.

The old litigation growing out of the Hackley street-cleaning contract has again come before the court with some new features. Hackley on the 26th of February, 1861, obtained the contract to clean the streets, exclusive of snow, during the succeeding five years. This contract provided for payment to the contractor at the rate of $279,000 per year. In May, 1863, the contract was canceled by the City authorities, leaving two years and nine months of an unexpired term, and a balance of $40,000 or thereabouts due on that portion of the contract already fulfilled. In the meantime Hackley had assigned his contract to Charles Devlin, Thomas Hope, Samuel Donaldson, Tilly R. Pratt, and Charles D. Fish, and after the abrogation of the contract, Charles Devlin commenced a suit against the City to recover damages to the extent of $800,000, making his co-assignees friendly defendants under the provisions of the code to that effect. The case was sent before a Referee, who reported in favor of Devlin for $400,339 90 damages, and the whole judgment entered upon the report was $499,378 51. From this judgment the City took an appeal, which has been now argued before the General Term of the Court of Common Pleas. The claim by the City, as a justification for canceling the contract, was that the work provided for by its terms had not been done, while the opposite was claimed by the plaintiff in the suit. The argument at General Term was on questions of law. Among the testimony taken before the Referee, and contained in the papers on appeal, are some interesting points as to the profits of the contract.

Samuel Donaldson, in his testimony, puts them as follows:

Profits of working the contract irrespective of subcontracts, annually	$73,200
Manure annually	40,000
Garbage and ashes annually	27,500
Private ashes and garbage annually	12,000
Annual profits	$153,200
Two years and nine months' unexpired term	$421,300

Charles D. Fish puts the profits of the contracts as follows:

Profits of working the contract, irrespective of subcontracts annually	$78,000
Manure, annually	60,000
Ashes and garbage annually	100,000
Private ashes and garbage annually	12,450
Annual profits	$250,450
Two years and nine months' unexpired term	$688,737 50

William H. Adams' estimate of the profits was as follows:

Profits from working the contracts irrespective of sub-contracts, annually	$75,600
Manure, annually	40,000
Ashes and garbage, annually	50,000
Private ashes and garbage, annually	8,000
Annual profits	$201,000
For two years and nine months' profits	552,750

Hackley, upon his cross-examination, testified that while his bid was pending before the Board of Aldermen, he received an anonymous note in a hand he did not recognize, informing him that if he deposited $40,000 in a certain room adjacent to the room of the Board of Aldermen, the contract would be awarded him; that he went to the room specified, remained about three minutes, saw Aldermen Boole, Tuomey, Smith, and Genet hovering around; deposited the money and left, and when he returned shortly after, both the money and the hoverers were gone; his contract was awarded that day, and that same night signed and approved by Mayor Wood.

After argument on the appeal, the court took the papers, reserving its decision.

THE CASE OF ALFRED E. LAGRAVE.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE COURT OF APPEALS—THE DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT GENERAL TERM REVERSED AND THAT OF JUDGE LAWRENCE AT SPECIAL TERM SUSTAINED.

It is already familiar to the public that through the efforts of a number of merchants in this City, about two years since, Alfred E. Lagrave, an alleged fraudulent debtor to a large amount, was brought back from Europe to this City under the Extradition treaty with France, the nominal charge under which such extradition was had being burglary. After his arrival here no attempt was ever made to substantiate the criminal charge under which he was formally extradited, but on the contrary, the merchants who had procured his arrest and transfer to this country set about enforcing their claims by civil process and civil arrest. Lagrave was lodged in Ludlow Street Jail, under numerous orders of arrest, and there detained for several months, while evidence was being taken in relation to the manner in which his extradition was procured. It was then claimed on Lagrave's behalf that he was not liable to extradition; that in procuring his extradition his creditors engaged therein had been guilty of a subterfuge, and having brought him within the jurisdiction of the court by such means, were not at liberty to avail themselves of his presence here for the purpose of prosecuting their civil claims against him. After the taking of much testimony, and elaborate arguments before Judge Fancher, the latter rendered a decision that Lagrave had been brought here improperly; that his creditors could not thereby obtain jurisdiction over his person, and that the orders of arrest under which he was held must be vacated. In the meantime, several other merchants in this City, creditors of Lagrave, and who had not participated in his extradition, obtained jurisdiction of the case in the court without their interference to that end, brought suit through their attorney, Mr. Daniel M. Porter, to recover the amount of money due them, and obtained civil orders of arrest against Lagrave. A motion was made before Judge Lawrence, in Supreme Court, Chambers, to vacate these orders of arrest, on the ground that, according to the previous decision of Judge Fancher, Lagrave was constructively on French soil at the time of service of process, and not within the jurisdiction of the court. Judge Lawrence denied the motion, holding that though unlawfully brought here by other parties, that did not deprive creditors, who did not participate in such unlawful act, and who found him actually here, from enforcing their claims against him. From this decision an appeal was taken to the General Term of the court, where the decision of Judge Lawrence was reversed, and thence counsel for the creditors took an appeal to the Court of Appeals, on behalf of one of the claimants, Adriance & Co.—a test case, claiming that the original decision of Judge Lawrence was correct, and that the court at General Term erred in reversing it. Before the Appellate Court the case was elaborately argued by Mr. Daniel M. Porter on behalf of the appellant, and Mr. Charles W. Brooke on behalf of the respondent. The court has now rendered its decision, reversing the decision of the General Term, and sustaining the original decision of Judge Lawrence.

AN ITALIAN BOY'S STORY.

A few days ago a little Italian waif was found by the Police, in the streets, crying bitterly and complaining of hunger and cold. He was taken before Justice Otterburg, at the Yorkville Police Court, to be disposed of as a vagrant. Here he told a pitiful tale. His father, Giovanni Polistri, he said, is in the employ of Casoni & Isola, sculptors, of No. 146 West Fortieth street. Some years ago he deserted his wife and four children, and came to this country. His mother subsequently found an opportunity of sending the boy to his father. On his arrival here the lad found, that his father had married again, and had become the father of two children by his new wife. The little stranger was kicked and beaten by his father and his second wife, and was forced to seek the streets for a livelihood. On Staten Island one day he was brutally beaten by his father. The assault was witnessed by a policeman, who arrested Polistri and took him before Justice Garrison, by whom he was committed to the Richmond County Jail for five days. Justice Otterbourg, after listening to the boy's story, caused the arrest of Polistri. He was yesterday accorded a hearing. In defense he stated that the boy was an incorrigible liar and truant, but admitted that he had been locked up for punishing him. He furnished testimonials of good character from his employers and others, and to enable him to procure the attendance of witnesses the examination was postponed.

THE INDICTED STAGE PROPRIETORS.

The trial of John Marshall, Jesse Marshall, and William H. Wilkins, proprietors, and Charles Brunell, Superintendent of the Broadway and Fourth Avenue Stage line, indicted for cruelly torturing a horse, was resumed before Judge Sutherland yesterday in the Court of General Sessions. The prosecution, as on the previous day, was conducted by District Attorney Horace Russell, the defense by Messrs. Fellows and Haskins, and Messrs. Eibridge T. Gerry and Henry Bergh appeared for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. On the opening of court, counsel for the defense moved that the indictment against all the defendants, with the exception of Charles Brunell, be quashed. District Attorney Russell admitted that he did not wish to press the charge against Jesse Marshall, but argued at great length against the discharge of the complaints against the other defendants. Judge Sutherland decided that the testimony showed no case against two of the defendants, Jesse Marshall and William H. Wilkins, and directed the withdrawal of the charges against them. The trial of John T. Marshall and Charles Brunell was then proceeded with. The case for the people having closed on Monday, the defense examined Charles Brunell, who swore that he was not aware of the condition of the horse captured by Mr. Bergh's officers. Patrick O'Brien, hostler in the employ of the stage company, also thought the horse in question fit for work, but admitted that Mr. Marshall had informed him of a number of ailments from which the animal suffered. Jesse Marshall, William H. Wilkins, Nelson Post, Sydney P. Nichols, Wilson Oakley, J. W. E. Somerdyke, P. J. Curran, and a number of others interested in stage lines, and in the purchase and sale of horses, were placed on the stand by the defence, with the view of showing that, even although a horse might be sprung-kneed, spavined, foundered, hoof-cracked, "swinuyed," sore-breasted, and, in fact, afflicted with all the ills to which horse-flesh is heir, it would be to the benefit of the animal thus endowed to make him drag a heavy, crowded stage through the City all day. Under the severe cross-examination of District Attorney Russell, the witnesses were drawn out, and proved exactly the reverse of what they were expected to prove. The evidence on both sides having concluded, the court adjourned until to-day, when counsel will address the jury.

RELEASE AND REARREST OF NATHAN AARONSON.

Nathan Aaronson, who, it will be remembered, was arrested in Jersey City by Detective O'Connor, of the District Attorney's office, and brought to the Tombs to answer three indictments for grand larceny, was released yesterday on $7,500 bail. Thomas Canary, the livery stable keeper, of Nos. 172 and 174 Mercer street, whose bond was refused by the District Attorney a few days since, having since that time satisfactorily qualified, was accepted as surety for the accused. Immediately after leaving the court-room, Aaronson was rearrested by a Deputy Sheriff on several civil suits, and removed in custody to the Sheriff's office.

A HALF MILLION INTEREST TO BE PAID THE CITY.

In the suit brought by John Foley, as a taxpayer, to compel Mr. Palmer, late Chamberlain of the City, to pay into the City Treasury interest derived from moneys under his control, which suit was recently argued before Judge Van Brunt, in Supreme Court, Special Term, a decision was rendered yesterday. The Judge sustained Mr. Foley, and holds that the interest in question is properly payable into the City Treasury. The amount involved by this decision is estimated at about $500,000.

SUNDAY CONCERTS.

To-day, on notice to show cause, argument will be had before Judge Larremore, in the Court of Common Pleas, on a motion to continue an injunction against the Board of Police restraining them from interfering with the Sunday concerts of Max Strakosch. Max, advised by his counsel, Mr. Charles Wehle, is about to claim that the act whence the Police derive their authority in these matters is un constitutional and void.

THE MARSHALS DEFEATED.

In the proceedings involving the right of Marshals to execute processes issuing from the Marine Court, as against the right of the Sheriff to do the same service, which was argued a few days since before Judge Donohue, a decision was rendered yesterday, in which the Judge holds that he is without authority to interfere in the matter.

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS.

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

PROGRESS OF DIPHTHERIA, SMALL-POX, AND OTHER CONTAGIOUS DISEASES IN THE CITY—THE RECENT DEATH RATIO COMPARED WITH THAT OF OTHER CITIES—SANITARY EVILS OF EXCAVATION IN POPULOUS LOCALITIES.

At the meeting of the Board of Health yesterday the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That Dr. Edward Curtis be requested, with the concurrence of and under the supervision of the Sanitary Committee, to investigate the causes and nature of diphtheria by means of micro-pathological examinations and otherwise.

Resolved, That the Sanitary Superintendent be and is hereby directed to take proper measures for the sale of surplus lymph.

Messrs. Kane & Ryan were granted permission to deposit stable straw on the lots at the foot of East Forty-sixth street, the same to be removed by the 1st of May, 1875, under a penalty of $5,000 and the forfeiture of all the material allowed to remain on the lots after that date.

Dr. Elisha Harris, Register of Vital Statistics, presented the following report on the mortality during the past week: "There were 521 deaths reported during the week that ended on Saturday, the 21st inst. The number which occurred during the previous week was 561. The decrease in mortality last week was chiefly noticed in consumption and in the total of zymotic diseases. The occurrence of only 100 deaths from constitutional diseases last week and only 105 the previous week—18.95 per cent. of the total mortality in the two weeks—is evidence of the unusual natural healthfulness of the season, for the average rate of mortality from these enfeebling diseases in the corresponding two weeks in the last five years was 24.68 per cent. of the entire number of deaths. The average number of deaths by constitutional diseases in the second week of November the past five years was 121; but this year there were 105 in that week, and last week only 100. Zymotic diseases are less prevalent than in the past five years, excepting only an excess of diphtheria and small-pox, the latter of which was charged with 40 deaths in the past two weeks and the former with 125 deaths.

"The death-rate the second week in November was equal to 28 in the 1,000 living inhabitants yearly, and last week it was equal to 26 per 1,000. The death-rate in twenty-one large cities of Great Britain during the last week in October was 25 per 1,000; in London 21; in Edinburgh, 29; in Glasgow 35; in Dublin, 23; in Liverpool, 36 per 1,000. Yearly rate Paris, the same week, reported only 18 per 1,000; Vienna, the previous week, only 17, and Munich, 33 per 1,000.

"Diphtheria is prevailing in this City, and a great numbers of populous towns for 200 miles westward, as it prevailed in Munich and numerous cities in Germany in 1864 and 1868. The 125 deaths in New-York by this malady the past two weeks, gave 11.55 per cent. of the total mortality. Brooklyn reported 34 deaths from this cause during the first two weeks of November, being nine per cent. of the total mortality. Jersey City and Hudson County, N. J., reported 48 deaths by diphtheria in the month of October, or fourteen per cent. of the total mortality, and the City of Paterson reported 23 fatal cases of this disease in October, being over twenty-five per cent. of all the deaths last month.

The following is a comparative statement of cases of contagious diseases reported for the two weeks ending 21st inst.:

Week ending Nov. 14.—Typhus fever, 1; typhoid fever, 16, scarlet fever, 33; measles, 7; diphtheria, 130; small-pox, 53; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 4.

Week ending Nov. 21.—Typhoid fever, 1; scarlet fever, 47; measles, 7; diphtheria, 152; small-pox, 60; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 5.

From this it will be seen that diphtheria increased 22 cases, small-pox 7 cases, and scarlet fever 14 cases in the past week over the week preceding, although there was a decrease in the number of deaths from diphtheria.

Dr. Stephen Smith, Chairman of the Sanitary Committee, submitted a report upon excavations for public works, setting forth that deep excavations of earth in those portions of the City which are built up and thickly inhabited, at certain seasons of the year endangered the public health. Dr. Smith argues that in the excavations necessary for building sewers, the laying of Croton pipes, and the construction of railways, earth is often thrown in turned for long distances and to a considerable depth. This exposes the soil to the action of the sun and air, evolving noxious and unhealthy gases and miasmatic and offensive odors. In some sections the subsoil is composed of underground water, which in high temperatures undergoes very rapid changes and emits noxious gases. Along the line of public works involving deep excavations, severe forms of disease have been often developed during hot weather. To obviate these excavations may be made with little or no danger. The committee recommend that sewers should be laid after Nov. 15 and before June 1. In view of these facts it was resolved that the Commissioner of Public Works be and hereby is requested to so regulate the time of construction of works requiring excavations in built-up portions of the City as to omit all excavations from June 15 to Oct. 1, and to leave no subsoil exposed during that time. The report of the Sanitary Committee was adopted and a copy of the same ordered to be transmitted to Commissioner Van Nort.

The board then adjourned.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY THE BOARD YESTERDAY—THE CASE OF THE IMMIGRANT ELIZA COLLINS.

The Commissioners of Emigration met yesterday; present, Messrs. Hurlbut, Starr, Stephenson, Quintard, Maujer, Schack, Lynch, and Forrest. The reports of the Castle Garden, Ward's Island, and Finance Committees were read and adopted. Bills for supplies, &c., amounting to $16,561 73, were audited and passed for payment, also payrolls for Ward's Island and Castle Garden for one month, amounting to $8,557 84. The flooring of the Castle Garden rotunda was ordered to be of two-inch spruce plank, and proposals were directed to be advertised for. Commissioners Maujer, Forrest, Quintard, and Lynch were appointed a special committee to report the financial condition of the commission to the Governor elect, as is usual annually previous to the meeting of the Legislature. The Ward's Island Committee acepted a resolution that religious funeral services be performed over all emigrants dying in the Ward's Island institutions. A report was submitted giving the following statistics in regard to emigration in the present and three previous years:

	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Aliens Arrived	16,477	19,188	15,686	6,896
Jan. 1 to Nov. 1.	200,179	258,241	241,838	127,426
Nov. 1 to Nov. 24	16,477	19,188	15,686	6,896

...ools began to go down to the home, most company to spend a week. They came with pale, pinched faces, and the shadow of much poverty and suffering on their young features. A week's sea air, fresh milk, good fare, and play in the fields made a different company of them. Some who had long been invalids were brought back to health, the sad were cheered, the thin and hungry made stout with good food, and all through the cellars and attics of poverty in the great City went the pleasant words that the rich cared enough for the poor to give their children a share in their beautiful homes. It was a gospel of good-will to the poor and needy; and, without doubt, those who had supported the home had a pleasanter Summer, thinking that so many children of the poor enjoyed the same blessings as their own children.

During the Summer 4,000 quarts of fresh milk were consumed by the little ones, besides other nourishing fare. Not a case of sickness occurred during the whole Summer. Each company remained six days.

The whole expense, including rent ($1,200) and paint, was only $3,384 84, and 1,200 children enjoyed the benefit of it, or about eighty-four per day, making an average expense per head of $2 68; or, as near as possible, during fifteen weeks the cost was about forty-three cents per head each day.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following is an abstract of the Treasurer's report:

RECEIPTS.

1873—Nov. 1.	
By balance on hand from last report	$1,247 59
1874—Nov. 1.	
By City and County of New-York for 1873.	$23,333 34
City and County of New-York for 1874	70,000 00
Board of Education for pupils in industrial schools	
Evansville and Crawfordsville and other railroad company coupons	32,893 98
Estate of late William Mackay, bequest	10,734 18
Estate of late Mrs. George S. Robbins, bequest	3,000 00
Estate of late Joseph W. Lester, bequest	5,000 00
Estate of late Mrs. Mary E. Van Horne, balance	1,000 00
Estate of late Mrs. Eliza Healy, Worcester, Mass	4,830 99
Estate of late G. Valerio (Italian fund)	100 00
Mr. Alanson Morehouse, Hillsdale, for emigration	446 78
Mr. and Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes (for Staten Island House)	1,000 00
Miss Girls' Fair, Irvington, N. Y	1,500 00
New-York City bond, matured	100 00
Total	4,000 00
Amount received from all other sources, including lodging-houses, Sabbath-schools, hundreds of individuals, &c	$159,206 83
Total	$68,541 09
	$225,747 92

PAYMENTS.

For industrial schools—twenty-one day and thirteen evening schools:	
Rent of school-rooms	$11,455 25
Salaries of Superintendent and eighty-six teachers	39,202 33
Food, clothing, fuel, &c	19,352 30— $70,509 88
Payments on account of special charities	9,384 76
Sick children fund	1,386 13
Newsboys' Lodging-house, usual expenses	$16,470 81
Newsboys' Lodging-house, for improvements and fitting up new house	6,942 14— $23,412 75
Girls' Lodging-house	4,704 48
Eleventh Ward Lodging-house	4,882 28
Thirteenth Ward Lodging-house	4,866 30
Rivington Street Lodging-house	$7,717 53
Improvements and fitting up additional house	1,380 74— $9,078 27
Reading-rooms (three)	369 55
Salaries of executive officers (five)	8,944 14
Salaries of visitors (five)	9,439 06
Emigration (fares, food, clothing, &c.)	29,316 13
Summer retreat, Staten Island	3,894 84
Insurance on buildings, furniture, &c	738 86
Blanks, printing, printing, rent, &c	7,299 09
Total of current expenses	$174,881 33
For account and on completion of Newsboys' Lodging-house, contract, &c	46,008 73
Interest paid New-York Life Insurance Company, &c	8,493 81
Amount paid Italian building fund (received from individuals)	1,366 78
Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1874	1,057 22
Total	$225,747 92

RESOURCES.

As the amounts temporarily borrowed from time to time during the past year have all been paid in full, it seems unnecessary to encumber the accounts with any statement in regard to them.

The society owns nothing except the mortgage indebtedness of $50,000—existing last year—as a lien on the Newsboys' Lodging-house.

The personal property per last report was as follows: 133 bonds, $1,000 each, Evansville and Crawfordville Railroad Company; 5 bonds, $1,000 each, Orange and Newark Horse Railroad Company; 5 bonds, $1,000 each, Toledo and Wabash Railroad, improvement bonds, $1,000 each, Evansville, Terre Haute and Chicago Railroad Company; 1 bonds, $1,000 each, Brooklyn Public Park Loan; also, 5 bonds of Memphis City (valued at $3,000) and a New-York City bond for $4,000, which latter has matured and been paid. With the exception of this payment the personal property of this society remains precisely as it did a year ago. Meantime the Newsboys' Lodging-house has been completed and paid for without creating any floating debt. This is a matter of congratulation.

But soon the society will be asking its friends to help to pay some $30,000 for account of the Italian school building in Leonard street. Then when that is accomplished that valuable and useful estate, costing about $55,000, will become (mainly through the active agency and generosity of our Board of Trustees, Mr. E. F. Faubri) the permanent property of the Children's Aid Society, devoted to the education of Italian children. One is tempted to say that if in that charming edifice the Italian boy shall fail to retain his native love for the beautiful and true, he will prove himself a degenerate son of the land of art and music.

The rolls of the industrial schools this year show 30,288 names, a gain over last year of 704; and the average attendance 3,556, as against 3,477 of last year—gain 79, as more fully appears by the following table:

The cost of maintaining the thirty-four schools for the last year is as follows, viz.:	
Rent of rooms	$11,455 25
Salaries of Superintendent and eighty-six teachers	39,202 33
Food, clothing, fuel, &c	19,852 30
Total	$70,509 88

This aggregate, divided among 3,556 pupils, shows the annual cost of each one to be but $19 83! including not only salaries, but cloth for garments, shoes, furniture, books, coal, and cost of a daily meal. Surely, then, this branch of the society's work may claim the merit of economy when considered in detail, although the aggregate cost is large.

EMIGRATION.

An erroneous idea prevails to some extent that by sending away three or four thousand children annually for so many years, the Children's Aid Society must have well-nigh filled the Western States. Our tables show, however, that the past year only about 200, out of nearly 4,000, were sent to the West as Kansas. It is true, nevertheless, that of late years the openings for children have been more favorable in the North-western States; therefore, disregarding the increased expenditure, a number have been sent there, for it may be observed, that the State of Kansas is the geographical centre of our country. It lies about 1,500 miles west of New-York City, but is still only the half-way house, as it were, to the extreme western boundary of the United States. Behold, then, our vast territory, 3,000 miles in one direction, to populate which will probably task the energies of domestic and foreign emigration societies for centuries.

Moreover, only a few years will roll by when the boys and girls of to-day will have become the men and women of their day and generation. They, too, then may be in want of children. Their own happy experience will teach them to go to the Children's Aid Society to get their wants supplied, only too glad to repay in kind the kindness others bestowed on them in their hour of destitution.

As an example, a few weeks ago, on a rainy day, there appeared at the office, No. 19 East Fourth street, a well-dressed young man, perhaps five-and twenty years of age. He stepped into the room filled with a dripping, ragged throng, for which he was being fitted with better clothes for their Western life-journey. After asking permission, he spoke to them substantially as follows: "Boys, twelve years ago, I stood just where you stand now; I was a New-York orphan street-boy. Through the kind agency of this society I obtained a home at the West. Now I am married, and have a good farm, well stocked; but having no child, I seek for a boy to live in my family, and when my wife and I have no further use for the farm, that boy shall have it." Of course, there were plenty ready to embrace the opportunity.

The schedule for the year 1874 shows that our agents have placed children in twenty-five different States this year, also largely in New-York City, and ninety-six in other institutions. The whole number sent, 3,965, is in excess by 265 of the year before. Since 1853 the society provided for 36,363 children. The Treasurer closes this, his twenty-second annual report, with more than usual satisfaction. For whatever of fears he or others may have heretofore entertained, there is now no room to say feelingly but those of thankfulness and profound gratitude for having been permitted to engage in this work.

THE SEWER CLAIM INVESTIGATION.

The investigation relative to the claim of Charles Devlin—amounting to $54,000—for building a sewer in Seventh avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-third to One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, was continued yesterday before Mayor Havemeyer, Controller Green, Deputy Controller Earle, the Corporation Counsel, Mr. E. Delafield Smith; Commissioner Van Nort, John H. Strahan, and others were present. Three contractors, William Reford, John D. Crimmins, and James Everard, testified that the date on the contract for the sewer was correct, and no one was called to disprove the fact. The witnesses also testified that the work was well done. Mr. Green stated that he felt justified in having the matter investigated, as he had received information that the contract had been antedated, and that the sewer had not been built according to the specifications. The Mayor then referred the case to the Corporation Counsel, and he decided that there was no ground for questioning the validity of the claim.

A MYSTERIOUS CASE.

Early on Sunday morning a respectably-dressed man was found unconscious in an alley-way in Lexington avenue, near Forty-seventh street, bleeding from a wound in the head. He was taken to the Twenty-first Precinct station-house, and thence removed to Bellevue Hospital, where he died on Sunday afternoon, without having regained his consciousness. Deputy Coroner Marsh made a post-mortem examination, and found an extensive fracture of the skull, which produced compression of the brain and death. Coroner Eickhoff has fixed no date for the inquest, in order to give the Twenty-first Precinct Police time to work up the case.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—NOV. 24.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

100	Quicksilver	35⅛	
200	do	36	
100	do	36⅛	
100	do	36	
100	do	36	
400	do	b3. 36⅛	
200	do	36⅛	
500	do	36	
700	West. Union	s3. 80⅛	
1200	do	80⅜	
1000	do	b3. 80⅜	
1000	do	80⅜	
41	N. Y. C. & Hud	101⅛	
51	do	101⅛	
100	do	b3. 101⅜	
600	Union Pacific	35⅞	
400	do	c. 35⅞	
2700	do	36	
1900	Erie Railway	27⅜	
400	do	b3. 27⅜	
800	do	27⅜	
1000	do	27⅜	
200	do	c. 27⅝	
200	do	28	
500	Lake Shore	80⅜	
500	do	b3. 80⅝	
600	do	80⅝	
600	do	b3. 81	
400	North-western	42⅜	
100	do	42⅜	
1500	do	42⅝	
2200	do	42⅝	
400	do	s3. 42⅝	
1900	do	42⅞	
1400	do	43	
1300	do	43⅛	
600	do	43⅛	
600	do	s3. 43⅜	
400	do	43⅜	
100	do	43⅜	
100	do	43⅜	
200	do	b3. 43⅝	
100	do	43⅝	
100	do	43⅝	
100	do	43⅝	
1200	do	43⅞	
100	do	43⅞	
300	do	b3. 43⅞	
100	do	43⅞	
100	do	43⅞	
100	do	43⅞	
100	do	43⅞	
500	Erie Railway	27⅜	
100	do	s30. 27⅜	
100	do	b3. 27⅜	
50	do	27⅜	
100	do	s2. 27⅜	
300	do	27⅜	
200	do	27⅜	
800	do	b3. 27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
1000	Ohio & Miss	b3. 29⅜	
600	do	29⅜	
1400	do	b3. 29⅞	
1600	do	29⅞	

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$1,000	U. S. 6s, '81, R.	118⅞	
1,500	U. S. 6s, '81, C.	116⅛	
8,000	do	12.120	
500	U. S. 6-20 C., '65	112½	
16,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65	115⅜	
500	do	small. 115	
500	U. S. 5-20 C., '64	114⅛	
10,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	118½	
1,000	do	118⅝	
10,000	do	118½	
750	do	small. 118	
10,000	do	12.118½	
10,000	U. S. 5-20 R., '65	118⅝	
	'65	12.118½	
4,000	U. S. 5-20 R., '67	118¾	
500	U. S. 5-20 C., '67	119⅛	
	'68	s3. 119½	
6,000	U. S. 5s 10-40	113⅝	
60,000	U. S. 5s 10-40	113½	
7,000	do	13.112⅞	
3,000	do	b.c. 112⅝	

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

$15,000	Tenn. 6s, old, ex coup	b.c. 58	
6,000	Tenn. 6s, old, c	75⅜	
1,000	Tenn. 6s, n	58	
2,000	Tenn. 6s, n	b.c. 55¼	
5,000	Tenn. 6s, n	b.c. 56	
2,000	N. C. 6s, n	12½	
4,000	S. C. 6s new	75	
1,000	M. & St. P	104⅜	
6,000	C. & P. 1st	75	
1,000	M. & St. P.	104⅝	
1,000	Mich. C. 7s	100	
1,000	Mich. S. & N. Ind. 1st	107⅝	
1,000	N. Y. C. 1st	112⅜	
2,000	Q. & M., Coupon	94⅛	
2,000	Q. & M., 2d	79⅜	
1,000	Ala. 8s	85⅜	
20,000	U. Pac., 1st	91¼	
1,000	do	91⅜	
2,000	U. Pac. 7s	88⅜	
10,000	U. P. S. F.	76⅛	
2,000	C. P. G. 8s	85⅜	
10,000	Y. & A. H. 6s	100½	
1,000	C. & P. 4th	95	
10,000	C. C. & I. C. 1st	68½	
1,000	T., P. & W., 1st	71	
	do., Div	71	
2,000	T. & W. 1st	90	
1,000	T. & W., 1st	91	
	St. L. Div	74½	
120	Am. Ex. Bank	112	
44	Bank of Com	117⅛	
105	Fourth Nat. Bk	97½	
1	Nat. Gas.	50	
300	Quicksilver	b.c. 35⅜	
100	do	s3. 35⅜	
100	do	35⅜	
100	do	35⅜	
200	do	b3. 35	
500	Quicksilver, pf	42⅜	
275	Am. D. Tel	b.c. 40	
500	W. U. T	b.c. b3. 80⅛	
700	do	80⅜	
1300	do	80⅜	
1200	do	80⅛	
1300	do	80⅜	
1000	do	80⅜	
100	A. & P. Tel	b.c. 19⅜	
15	U. S. Ex	b.c. 64½	
50	N. Y. C. & H	b.c. 101¼	
100	do	s3. 101⅛	
10	Pac. Mail	b.c. 44½	
100	do	s3. 44⅜	
600	do	s3. 44⅞	
600	do	44⅞	
2200	do	44⅞	
700	Erie Railway	b.c. 28	
1200	do	27⅝	
600	do	27⅝	
400	do	27⅝	
100	do	s3. 27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	Harlem	b.c. 131	

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12:30 P. M.

$4,000	S. C. 6s, N. P	6⅜	
24,000	N. W. Cons. C	102	
20,000	U. P. S. F	b3. 76⅜	
500	West. Union	b3. 80⅛	
100	do	80⅛	
100	Quicksilver	b30. 35⅝	
200	do	35⅝	
100	St. Paul	s3. 37⅛	
100	do	37⅛	
100	do	37⅛	
100	do	37⅛	
100	Pacific Mail	b60 44⅝	
100	do	44⅝	
500	do	44⅝	
100	do	44⅜	
500	Erie Railway	27⅜	
100	do	s30. 27⅜	
100	do	b3. 27⅜	
50	do	27⅜	
100	do	s2. 27⅜	
300	do	27⅜	
200	do	27⅜	
800	do	b3. 27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	Ohio & Miss	b3. 29⅜	
600	do	29⅜	
1400	do	b3. 29⅞	
1600	do	29⅞	

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—2 P. M.

$9,300	U. S. 6s, R. '81	119⅛	
5,000	U. S. 6s, C. '81	119⅞	
5,000	U. S. 5-20s, C. '62	112⅜	
3,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '65, R	118⅛	

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$5,000	Tenn. 6s, old, ex. coup	55	
1,000	N. Y. C. 1st	112⅝	
1,000	M. & St. P.	76⅛	
1,000	M. C. 8s, S. F.	112⅛	
2,000	Erie 2d	1.0	
4,000	C. & N. W. con	89	
1,000	C. & N. W. con., Coup	89	
10,000	L. Dock bds	103	
4,000	Mich. S. & N.	99½	
1,000	M. S. & F. B.	104⅛	
6,000	C. F. & M. 1st	82½	
1,000	M. & K. 7s, '71	99	
12	Ex. Bank	112	
55	Fourth Nat. Bk	97½	
1100	W. U. Tel.	b.c. b3. 80⅝	
300	do	80⅝	
100	do	s3. 80⅜	
100	do	80⅜	
400	do	80⅜	
100	do	s3. 80⅜	
100	do	80⅜	
100	do	b3. 80⅜	
200	Quicksilver	b.c. 35⅜	
200	do	35⅜	
200	do	35⅜	
400	do	35⅛	
200	do	35⅛	
100	do	35⅛	
900	Erie Railway	b.c. 27⅜	
200	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100	do	27⅜	
100

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NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, 1874.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—LOHENGRIN, (Italian Opera.)—Mlle. Emma Albani, Miss Anna Louise Cary, Signor Carpi, Signor Del Puente.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—THE SHAUGRAUN.—Mr. J. H. Montague, Mr. Dion Boucicault, Miss Ada Dyas.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—THE HEART OF MID-LOTHIAN.—Mr. Louis James, Mr. Charles Fisher, Mr. James Lewis, Miss Fanny Davenport.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—JANE EYRE.—Miss Charlotte Thompson, Miss Fanny Morant, Mr. M. Rankin.

PARK THEATRE.—THE GILDED AGE.—Mr. John T. Raymond, Miss Gertrude Kellogg.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—RIP VAN WINKLE.—Mr. Joseph Jefferson.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—VAUDEVILLE AND VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—LA FILLE DE MADAME ANGOT.—Miss Emily Soldene.

BARNUM'S ROMAN HIPPODROME.—EQUESTRIANISM, ATHLETICS.—MENAGERIE.—MUSEUM.—Open afternoon and evening.

BOWERY THEATRE.—CRIME.—MYSTERIES OF PARIS.—Miss Charlotte Stanley.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

STEINWAY HALL.—LECTURE by Hon. Carl Schurz.—"Educational Problems."

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.—GRAND ORGAN CONCERT.—Mr. S. A. Pearce, Mr. Salvotti.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.—MINSTRELSY and NEGRO ECCENTRICITIES.—Messrs. Birch, Wambold, and Backus.

BRYANT'S OPERA-HOUSE.—MINSTRELSY.—NEGRO DELINEATIONS, &c.—Mr. Bryant, Mr. Seymour.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE. — VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

ROBINSON HALL.—VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

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The *Evening Post* says that "New-York is behind the age, is a growing obstruction to commerce, and must awake from its sleep soon, or bid its natural supremacy a long farewell." Some persons may think that this is putting the matter very plainly, and so it is; but it does not exaggerate the true state of the case. New-York has many competitors to contend with, and the competitors are active while she is not. This is the main source of our troubles. The natural advantages of this City can never be entirely thrown away, but mismanagement and neglect can do a great deal of harm. The subject is one which again calls for the earnest attention of our Chamber of Commerce, and we have known public meetings to be held for the discussion of many less important questions. The interests at stake are too vast to be frittered away without an effort.

Although Mr. HAMILTON FISH, Jr., was defeated in Putnam County, it ought to be borne in mind that influences were at work there which can scarcely be recognized as coming within the legitimate field of politics. It is said that the sum of $15,000 was sent into the county by the Democrats in behalf of their candidates, and that a very much larger amount was invested by a person actively interested in the result. Mr. TILDEN'S majority was 228, and the average majority for the county officers elected was 322. The majority for Mr. FISH'S opponent was only 163, and in his own county Mr. FISH ran 125 ahead of Gov. DIX. It is evident, therefore, that Mr. FISH made a good fight, and if he was not elected, his constituents are the only losers by his defeat.

Our Washington dispatches recount one of the methods by which the civil service rules have been evaded in the office of the Supervising Architect. Mr. MULLETT has the reputation of an honest man, but he was evidently capable of very palpable trickery in this case. It seems that Secretary BRISTOW is likely to make some distinct presentation of his views on the civil service question. We hope he will do so. On the whole, the forthcoming Treasury report promises to be of more than usual interest.

Some highly-interesting statistics may be found in the annual report of the operations of the Children's Aid Society elsewhere printed. This beneficent institution reaches some 12,000 waifs of the streets during the year. In the industrial schools alone there are reported 2,373 children of drunken parents, and 862 children who are or have been mendicants. Of the total number provided with homes and employment, 3,438 were boys and girls, and 547 men and women. The operations of the Duane Street Lodging-house for Newsboys embrace the restoration of no less than 912 lost or truant boys to their parents, and 472 boys placed in good homes. A similarly useful work is reported of the Girls' Lodging-house, where 683 children have been provided with places in domestic service. These figures, it is true, give a painful glimpse of the want and misery of the City; but it is a comforting reflection that so much practical good has been accomplished and that so many "brands have been plucked from the burning."

The slight decrease in the deaths from diphtheria last week is accompanied by a marked increase in the number of cases reported. There were 152 for the week ending last Saturday, against 130 for the week ending Nov. 14. There is also a slight increase in the number of cases of small-pox and scarlet fever, though the deaths assignable to these causes do not increase. The Board of Health passed a resolution requesting Dr. EDWARD CURTIS "to investigate the causes and nature of diphtheria by means of micro-pathological examinations and otherwise." Could the report which will thus be elicited be accompanied by the results of a thorough inspection of the drainage and sewerage of the districts where diphtheria is most prevalent, it would prove of the very highest value to the people of this City.

It seems to have been reserved for JOHN FOLEY to vindicate the City's right to recover the interest on public money deposited in bank by those who held the office of Chamberlain while there was no definite provision in the Charter upon this subject. The question was first raised by Controller GREEN, in his letter of Dec. 16, 1871, addressed to JOHN J. BRADLEY, who then occupied the position of Chamberlain. That letter put the matter in this form: "It would seem to be your desire that others should accept the conclusion that you and your predecessor have adopted for yourselves, to wit, that these interest-moneys are the property of the Chamberlain, and that it is only by an act of liberality on his part that they are handed over to the City Treasury. Not only do I fail entirely to see the matter in this light, but it appears to me that you have no right whatever to draw them from the bank or in any manner to dispose of or deal with them." Chamberlain PALMER adopted the same theory about the interest-moneys as his predecessor, and the controversy with the Controller was continued by him. Some months ago the City commenced suit for the recovery of interest-money presumed to be still at the City's credit in the Broadway Bank, as well as for the recovery of a few millions paid out by that bank on warrants said to bear forged indorsements. Why the City's own suits should be allowed to slip out of sight while Mr. FOLEY, acting simply as a tax-payer, is able to secure a very important decision in the City's favor, is more than we can explain.

The lecture of Prof. BONAMY PRICE last evening was an informal talk on the functions of metallic currency and on those of a convertible paper currency, with some remarks on the utter incapacity of an inconvertible paper currency to perform the functions of the two former. There was nothing very novel to one familiar with the subject in Mr. PRICE'S talk, but it was full of emphatic statements of sound doctrine, and was listened to with close attention.

Monday's great storm seems to have been more severe and of wider extent than any that has been reported since the establishment of the Weather Bureau. So far as we have data, the gale prevailed with more or less force in nearly all the States east of the Mississippi, and was felt as far north as the peninsula of Ontario, in Canada. It was most severe in Northern Alabama, where the disturbance assumed the appearance of a tornado, the fullest details of which have been given in the special dispatches of THE TIMES. The next point to receive full force of the gale was Baltimore, where one hundred houses are reported unroofed. The loss in that city is estimated by the Baltimore *American* at $60,000. Next Trenton, N. J., suffered heavily, two persons having been killed, and a loss of $40,000 or $50,000 being inflicted on the city by the destruction of buildings. Of course, intermediate points sustained some damage; in Cumberland, West Va., one man was killed and a large building was destroyed; in Philadelphia and vicinity the storm was also very severe. The greatest damage at any one point was at Tuscumbia, Ala., where several persons were killed and many were wounded; it is thought that the property loss will be about $500,000. The destitution of the people is said to be extreme. The storm seems to have passed to the Atlantic from the Gulf; it burst on Tuscumbia Sunday evening, just after sunset. It struck Baltimore at 2 P. M. on Monday, and its height in New-York was reached at 4 P. M. on the same day. Rain, hail, and snow, accompanied the gale, the temperature varying in different localities; the lowest thermometer was in the North-west, and it rose gradually as the storm area approached the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico. New-England does not appear to have suffered much, but a few disasters are reported along the coast, and more may be expected. Taken altogether, the great November gale of 1874 is likely to be long memorable for its disastrous wreck and widespread terror.

THE SOUTH.

Everybody may see without much reflection that the two great questions on which public interest will be concentrated during the next few years—in fact, until they are satisfactorily settled—are those which turn upon the finances and the condition of the South. With regard to the financial question, our opinions are well known to our readers. We have pressed them at times when they were not popular with party leaders, and we still believe that had they been adopted in the early part of last session, the Republican Party would be much stronger to-day than it is. The right and honest course is always the best to pursue, and though at the outset it encounters much opposition, it is sure to be demanded in the end even by the very persons who have opposed it. We must say, in justice to the President, that he has often been wiser than his party in his recommendations on this subject. His advice has generally been good, even when the reasons which he has assigned for it would not stand close examination. At the approaching session of Congress, there will once more be an opportunity for the Republican party to pursue a policy which will place the question beyond the reach of demagogues on either side. A return to specie payments is the first necessity of the day, and if we cannot make arrangements to accomplish this at a fixed period, before the close of next session, the opportunity for us will have passed away beyond recall.

The problem in regard to the South is one of the most grave which is at this moment before the people of any country. Somehow or other the ex-insurgent States are *not* "reconstructed," and it would not be true to say that all of them are even at peace. It was but the other day that we saw a large section of the people of one great State rise up suddenly and overthrow their Government. It is true that this Government was set on its legs again, but how? By means which there ought to have been no necessity to employ, and which ought never to be employed under our Government and Constitution, except under totally different conditions from those which at present exist. War measures, or anything resembling war measures, are all but inexcusable in the year 1874. State Governments ought no longer to be bolstered up by Federal power. When we boast that no rebels were hanged after the war, we mean to imply that no retributive or penal measures were inflicted upon the Southern people. Better to have made examples of the worst offenders than to punish an entire people. It would have been a more generous course. That mistakes were made in the reconstruction policy pursued by Congress after the war, we, as our readers know, have never denied. We protested against them at the time, and suffered for it. For there was a period when the people who had lavished blood and treasure for the defense of the Union cared very little how the South was governed. But that period has passed away. No man in the North can take a just pride in the infamous robberies committed by MOSES, and his gang in South Carolina, or in the imbecile misgovernment of KELLOGG and his supporters in Louisiana. These chapters are, and always will remain, dark blots in the history of the country. No one would like to see them truthfully described in the school-books of future generations.

There is much to do, and much to undo. One of the first things to be understood is that there must be an end of Federal interference in State Governments. And by that we do not simply mean the active and violent form of interference involved in sending troops into any Southern State in which there may be reports of local disturbances—though that, of course, is very bad. For nothing can be more certain than that the founders of the Constitution never designed Federal troops to be used as police. They rendered the contingency of Federal interference in local Governments as remote, we may almost say as *difficult*, as they well could. In this respect the Constitution should be construed in a very literal manner. But we also refer to that indirect interference of the Federal power which is involved in the appointment of Federal officials who are obnoxious to the people, and whose appointment is suggested solely by a desire to gain strength for an Administration or a party. The South, in point of fact, ought not to be looked upon as an instrument for gaining party triumphs on one side or the other. It is clearly entitled to the same form of government as any other part of the United States, and Federal interference is as much out of place there as it would be in New-York or New-Jersey.

The Republicans have still time enough to retrace some false steps, and we should think that one of the first measures to that end might be taken by the President himself. He could, to begin with, remove such office-holders as CASEY from Louisiana; and he could make at least one change in his Cabinet with very great advantage. We refer, of course, to the Attorney General. There can be no question that the advice of Mr. WILLIAMS on Southern questions has, generally speaking, been rash and mischievous. He has practically sat in judgment on the Constitutions of various States, and construed them according to his own ideas. And this is an exercise of his duty which the Federal Constitution never could have provided for, since it does not even recognize the existence of a Cabinet at all. The Attorney General has no sort of right to decide questions of local government in the Southern or any other States. Mr. WILLIAMS has, in effect, done this more than once, and if the President were to remove him, and put in his place some great lawyer who possessed the confidence of the people, we believe that he would do much for the Republican Party, and what is of greater consequence, would render a substantial service to the whole country. We have more than once ventured to remind the people of the North that misgovernment and lack of prosperity at the South will inevitably react upon them. No man can say that he is in a healthy state if one of his arms is paralyzed.

The Democrats can never settle the Southern question, because the people of the South would demand too much from them, while the people of the North would look with suspicion even on the concessions which the party might deem it safe to make. Their attempt to deal with the South would only aggravate the present difficulties—it would be like calling in a doctor in whom the patient had no confidence, and whom his relatives disliked. One of the greatest misfortunes that could happen to the South would be for the Democrats to take it in hand. The proper party to deal with it is that party which carried on the war, which is responsible for all subsequent measures, and which can "restore" the South in fact as well as in name, if it will only consult the best interests of the whole country, and the sense of fair-play and justice which is in the hearts of the people.

THE AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND CHARITABLE GRANTS.

A good deal of discussion is likely to arise over the interpretation of the two new sections of Article VIII. of the State Constitution, prohibiting the grant of State or local funds or property in aid of private undertakings. There can be no question about the prohibitory effect of these sections upon grants of land or of money to railroad corporations, exhibition enterprises, and the like. But it may take some little time to settle their precise bearing upon the numerous charitable institutions which have heretofore received the benefit of State or municipal grants. The question is of vital importance to the City of New-York, inasmuch as its solution will affect the disposal of about a million of dollars a year raised by taxation, and of a few hundred thousands more usually voted from the Excise fund for charitable purposes.

The two new sections—10 and 11—of Article VIII. are obviously intended to cover two distinct methods of voting away public money for private undertakings. The one is by act of the Legislature, and the other by resolution of County or City boards. Out of the proceeds of taxation, the local authorities of this City can make no charitable or educational grants not expressly authorized by legislative enactment. In the budget for 1875, there is included $825,000 for the benefit of institutions entitled to certain *pro rata* grants under State laws. There is, in addition to this, $103,000, included under the estimates of the Board of Education for so-called "Corporate schools," also authorized by legislative enactment. The provisions of section 10, therefore, apply directly to the disposal of this $928,000. The only exception made from the prohibition against legislative grants "in aid of any association, corporation, or private undertaking" is in favor of institutions "for the education and support of the blind, the deaf and dumb, and juvenile delinquents." It would thus appear that all laws authorizing grants to institutions not included under the exceptions named, will, after Jan. 1, cease to be constitutional. Assuming that the phrase "juvenile delinquents" will be interpreted to mean boys or girls sent under the commitment of a Police Magistrate to a reformatory institution, the exceptions named will affect but a small part of the grants now made for charitable purposes by the City of New-York, acting under mandatory State laws. In other words, the new Constitution will deprive the City of the power to give away any but a small proportion of the money appropriated for charitable purposes in next year's budget.

Section 11 is especially designed to cover grants made by local authority alone in aid of charitable institutions. It makes no exception whatever from its prohibition of such grants, save the rather indefinite one that local authorities may make "such provision for the aid or support of its poor as may be authorized by law." It may be argued that this clause reopens the entire question, since all the charitable and educational institutions which obtain grants of public money may reasonably claim to be devoted to the "aid or support of the poor." But as section 10 has already enjoined the law-making power against voting away charitable grants unless in three well-defined cases, it would appear that the qualification to the very sweeping prohibitions of section 11 is simply intended to place beyond the reach of question in the courts, the ordinary local machinery of poor relief strictly so called. County almshouses, as well as the methods in use for giving outdoor aid to the needy, out of public funds, are thus distinctly placed within the category of "county, city, town or village purposes," and that seems to be the whole purport of the qualifying clause. Under this section, grants of land owned by the corporation, such as have hitherto been made for the benefit of charitable and other undertakings, will, in the future, be impossible. The grants made from the Excise fund for hospitals, dispensaries, &c., are also clearly prohibited by section 11. It may be too soon to discuss the effect of these amendments on the great charitable enterprises of this City. They may have the effect of paralyzing some enterprises whose usefulness far more than compensates for the public money expended on them. But they will also stop a drain upon State and local Treasuries for the benefit of institutions about whose management the public are permitted to know nothing, and whose services to society are not very obvious. The full significance of these amendments cannot be too soon ascertained by our charitable associations, so that the State and local aid thus summarily cut off may be replaced by an increse of private liberality.

NEW-JERSEY'S WAY.

Since highway robbers came to the conclusion that it was not lowering their professional dignity to occasionally resort to the garrote system to prevent unnecessary exhibitions of feeling, the residents of many of the newer States have shown a desire to, so to speak, meet them half way. In California some instances have been recorded in which persons of original minds who, in expectation of sooner or later being made victims to the cupidity of the gentlemen of the road, were prepared with "put up" purses, valueless watches, and neat little speeches to the following effect: "Pray don't trouble yourself to assault us. Here are our purses and watches. Take them, and allow us to pursue our journey in peace." We think it was in Nevada that an ingenious traveler pretended to drop dead from fright, so as to permit a highwayman, who had been creeping upon him from behind, to carry off a purse containing a few dollars, and leave the thousands stitched in the lining of his coat untouched. But these devices betrayed only a trifle of ingenuity compared with the inventions for a similar purpose of a certain Long Island farmer. Having heard very doleful accounts from a few of his neighbors, of the dangers encountered in returning from the New-York markets last Summer, he set to thinking, and the result was the manufacture of what he called a "porcupine collar," or in other words, a leather strap covered with sharp-pointed steel spikes. He likewise invented a tin box for his money, upon opening which a person unacquainted with its mechanism would be assailed with needles. The collar was intended to be put on just after starting homeward, so that should an enterprising highwayman creep into the wagon and suddenly encircle the neck of the driver, he would be held long enough to enable the latter to dispose of him quite handsomely. The box invention was to be used as an auxiliary in case the "porcupine collar" should, by any possibility, fail to do its work.

The possessor of these contrivances, strange as it may seem, does not now think so much of them. Upon the third or fourth occasion of a visit to the New-York market, he happened to take too strong a parting drink. When about half way home it began to tell upon him. His head dropped upon his chest, and so disordered the spikes that two or more of them penetrated his flesh in a very uncomfortable manner. But this was not the worst of it. In the confusion produced by the liquor and the spikes, the poor farmer fancied that he had been attacked by highwaymen. Acting upon the first impulse, he seized his tin box, and in trying to pull up the lid, was pricked in a very cruel manner by the needles. It is said that he never put on the collar or took out the box after that experience, and the reader, we have no doubt, will be able to comprehend the nice sense of delicacy which restrained him from making his inventions known to the world.

In New-Jersey they have a very different way of affording protection against the garroter-highwayman. Instead of wasting valuable time in puzzling their heads over such inventions as those of the Long Island farmer, or in taking leaves from the plethoric note-books of the California and Nevada travelers, they fall back upon the Darwinian teaching, and decide that the teeth of man should be his natural weapons of defense. Mr. JOSEPH H. TITUS, a worthy resident of New-Brunswick, had the distinguished honor of being the first to demonstrate the truth of this unique idea. A few nights since, while returning to his home in a wagon, by way of the famous Cranberry Turnpike Road, he fell into a profound revery, from which he was rudely awakened by finding a pair of cold rough hands clasping his neck from behind. With admirable presence of mind he let the reins slip to his feet, and by a dextrous movement turned his face toward the person in whose vise-like grip he was held. Thus placed, he began to struggle with the pertinacity of an eel. At last he contrived to get his mouth so close to the highwayman's cheek, that the clenching of his teeth in it was but the work of a moment. Screaming with pain, the highwayman promptly released Mr. TITUS' neck, and the latter, following up his advantage, slackened his hold upon the cheek, and at the same time struck him such a powerful blow upon the head, that he toppled over the wagon into the road, and lay there stunned and bleeding, while his would-be victim improved the opportunity to whip up his horses and escape. Now, the New-Jersey way may be objected to by over-fastidious persons, on the ground of its tendency to destroy shirt-bosoms, but we think that the better judgment will prevail against the force of even this consideration. Most men, unless they have false sets, would be much more likely to succeed in defending themselves against the attacks of highwaymen with their teeth than with revolvers, for the latter are rarely in a position to be of any value whatever in punishing a garroter, whereas the teeth may be considered as always ready. Taking into account these facts we cannot but think that the New-Jersey way is by far the best yet heard of.

THE HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT.

The third session of the third Parliament since Hungary resumed self-government was opened recently at Pesth, and our late German exchanges show that important affairs have already been in discussion before it. To all portions of the Austrian Empire the financial question is the first and foremost. Austria has been trying for years that method of acquiring wealth so much approved by certain of our economists—the creation of money by means of the printing-press. The process, however, has not been the ideal and happy one which many of our public men proclaim. The Vienna Cabinet has repeatedly attempted to "make money easy" and "to move the crops" by issuing paper. But the larger the number of Austrian "greenbacks" which appeared, the higher became prices and the livelier the speculation, until just before our panic, a grand financial crisis took place in Vienna, and thousands of fortunes were lost in a day. Since then the Empire, like the United States, has been slowly getting back to a natural condition. All prices have fallen, trade has been stagnant, people have economized expenditures, and paper has been slowly approaching gold in value. Every one is thoroughly disgusted with the experiment of an inconvertible currency, yet, at present, there seems no way out of it except by increasing production, reducing expenditure, and borrowing no more from future sources of wealth. With these sound financial ideas, the Hungarian Ministry have brought before a not very complaisant Parliament their budget for increased taxation. Unfortunately, they seem too much inclined to repeat our own experiments and to tax everything that man uses or wears or enjoys. The modern axiom of political economy, that taxation must be laid on a few luxuries, they ignore, and propose to tax passenger traffic, business, houses, pleasures, such articles as fowling-pieces, and even incomes with the formidable amount of ten per cent. The list is so voluminous that it has already given the alarm to the Hungarian constituencies, and may result in overthrowing the whole policy of the Government party.

Hungary must pay her share in supporting the imperial Army, and as her quota in men numbers some 400,000, she will feel the same drain which is drawing out the life-blood of so many countries of Europe. With a united Germany on one side, and Russia on the other, and the "principality question" with Turkey looming up in the distance, Austria cannot diminish her army, and Hungary must bear her burden in it. Many important local questions have already been presented to the Parliament. One subject agitates all constitutional countries in Europe, and is now an absorbing topic in Hungary—and that is, the proper constitution of the Upper House.

The success of our own experiment has convinced most political students in Europe, that every country governed by a free suffrage ought to have a balance-wheel in its constitutional assembly of more weight, for instance, than the British House of Lords, or the former "Magnate House" in the Hungarian Parliament. It is seriously discussed whether the present House of Lords in Hungary should not have representatives added from each division or *comitat* corresponding to our States, as well as some from commercial corporations, and then a check be given it upon the legislation of the Lower House.

The Magyars have shown a certain Anglo-American skill in their political divisions, and there is already an appearance of "gerrymandering" or of "rotton boroughs" in their internal divisions. These have been skillfully used by the Deak party, and the opposition are eager to break them up and have a new districting. The subject, also, of an improved administration of justice comes up, and the courts of Hungary will be enlarged and purified. In all countries allied with Germany the religious question is always a prominent one. The Liberal Catholic Party is powerful in Hungary, and the Jesuits are by no means popular even among the Catholics. Whatever additional measures are needed to make complete the expulsion of this order, or to more thoroughly separate State and Church, will be favorably received in the Parliament at Pesth. Hungary is a remarkable instance of the possibility of the two great Christian Churches—the Protestant and Roman Catholic—living together in entire harmony. Both sides have been liberal and catholic; the governing class of the country, the Magyar gentlemen and peasantry, are, in a large degree, strong and earnest Protestants, the higher nobility and many of the other races on the soil of the kingdom, as well as a portion of the Hungarians, are faithful Catholics. But the Catholics are of the liberal wing; the Bishops almost alone opposed the infallibility dogma, and the Church has never been subject to any extreme degree to the Pope. The two sects have lived for centuries side by side in perfect amity, an example in toleration to all civilized countries. The Hungarian Catholics will side warmly with their brethren in the Vienna Parliament in opposition to Ultramontanism and the extreme claims of the Papal party. When the final contest comes between Russia and the German race for the mouths of the Danube, and, perhaps, for Constantinople, the vanguard of Germany will be the Magyar kingdom, so that every stage in the development of that frontier shall become of interest to Europe and the world. The Hungarian Parliament will be watched with attention by all students of political history.

OUR HAWAIIAN VISITORS.

Two or three attempts have been made by the Hawaiians to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with the United States. Before the war the Southern sugar interest was strong enough to defeat any such project, and the more recent reopenings of the subject have, for various reasons, met with no success. King KALAKAUA is now on the way to this country accompanied by a large suite, and brought by a United States war vessel. The party will arrive in San Francisco in a week or ten days. The Hawaiian Kingdom, in spite of its high-sounding name, is practically a little republic. The King has more often succeeded to his title by election than by hereditary descent; and with universal suffrage and a liberal Constitution, the people of the Sandwich Islands are certainly governed with singular mildness. Yet KALAKAUA is a real King, as Kings go nowadays; and, though his subjects could all be put in one of our City wards and create no crowd, he comes here as a sovereign Prince and on a friendly errand. He comes for reciprocity.

The trade of Hawaii is not great, but it is worth while to secure it. For the year 1873 the total value of Hawaiian exports was $2,128,055; the imports for that period were $1,349,448. The greater portion of that trade was with the United States, and in this statement is made no account of supplies furnished to whaling vessels—chiefly American. The principal Hawaiian exports are sugar, molasses and syrups, wool, tallow, coffee, pulu, hides, and rice. They import cotton goods, agricultural implements, cured meats, kerosene, lime, cement, and hardware. The San Francisco sugar refineries draw their supplies of raw sugar from the Sandwich Islands, with a small importation from Manila. This, of course, creates a powerful local interest in favor of reciprocity. Already, it is said, the production of sugar on the islands is in the hands of Americans, who have everything to gain by the adoption of practical free trade with their own country. It is important to the Hawaiians that they should remove a duty that is supposed to repress the production of their agricultural staples. But our people will look at the comparatively insignificant figures of their foreign trade and say that it is hardly worth while to bother about it. The population of the entire kingdom, native and foreign, is less than 60,000. The natives are, in fact, diminishing in numbers; and, after all, a more important question than the temporary one of reciprocity is the future ownership of the islands. Some far-sighted persons think that the United States will by proper management of the matter eventually come into possession of these lovely gems of the Pacific. These favor a reciprocity treaty as a means of facilitating such a transfer. But it is hardly proper to discuss that question while the Hawaiian King is our guest. His realm is probably just as dear to him as if it were a thousand times as great. Therefore, when he comes we must treat him handsomely, show him the sights, and send him home with a sincere admiration for the great Republic.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATURE—HON. ROBERT B. ELLIOTT ELECTED SPEAKER.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 24.—The new Legislature met at Columbia to day. Hon. Robert B. Elliott, colored, who recently resigned his seat in Congress to become a leader in the Legislature, was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, by a vote of 61 to 51, the minority including the whole delegation elected by the Fusion party in Charleston. This delegation contains several representatives of the property and commercial interests, hitherto unrepresented in the Legislature, and proceedings have been commenced to contest their seats, although they were elected by nearly 300 majority.

MASS-MEETING OF POTTERS IN TRENTON, N. J.

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 24.—A mass-meeting of potters was held to-night to resist an intimated reduction of their wages twenty per cent. The bosses had invited, by circular, a meeting of the men to consult as to the means to get through the Winter. Speeches were made by a half-dozen persons, all of which were against any reduction. One speaker proposed a standard size for wares, the same as that used in the old country. The appointment of a delegation to see the bosses to-morrow was favored, in order to ascertain their views, and report to-morrow night. From their enthusiasm and determination the potters seem to "mean business."

AMUSEMENTS.

THE ITALIAN OPERA.

The first performance of "Lohengrin" this season will be given at the Academy of Music this evening. An excellent representation may be counted upon, and it is quite certain that the audience gathered to witness it will be exceedingly large. In addition to the entertainments already referred to as intended to occur this week, there is to be a special Thanksgiving night recital, to-morrow when "Il Barbiere" will be sung.

LECTURES ON MUSIC.

Mr. John N. Pattison's lectures on music with illustrations by means of the piano, have proved very successful. The third of the series was given yesterday evening at De Garmo's Rooms, and was largely attended. Mr. Pattison took Haendel for his theme, and varied his remarks upon the great composer's life and achievements, by performing the grand fugue in E minor, known as the "fire" fugue; a *chaconne* in G major; and "The Harmonious Blacksmith." Mr. Pattison's clear and powerful touch told capitally in these pieces, which were supplemented by three vocal numbers, Mme. De Ryther singing "Lascia ch'io pianga" and "He shall feed His flock," and Miss Borie contributing "Come unto Him." Next Tuesday Mr. Pattison will deal with Mendelssohn's music.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.

Contrary to expectation, there was no performance of "The Black Crook" at the Grand-Opera house last evening. The spectacle is now promised for to-night. The City wore its usual aspect yesterday, and no trouble is apprehended.

THE BOWERY THEATRE.

The patrons of the Bowery Theatre are fickle and hard to please. They need frequent changes of programme and highly-flavored entertainments. In both essentials they are gratified always; hence the remunerative audiences gathered in this establishment, even in dull times. Just now the nightly menu comprises two sensational dramas, "Crime; or, The Secret Scenes of City Life," and "The Mysteries of Paris." The first is in three acts, and is said to depict with fidelity incidents in the every-day existence of the outcasts and fallen. There are desperate encounters and a horse-car murder; an innocent man is convicted; scenes in the Police Courts are numerous; many cellars beneath Chatham street and the Bowery are viewed, and the panorama winds up with an execution in the Tombs. This gallows picture is very realistic, if not particularly improving to the mind, and its truthfulness bears testimony to a degree of enterprise in the management, which would be commendable if called forth by worthier subjects. The second and concluding piece is an adaptation of Eugene Sue's celebrated novel—"The Mysteries of Paris"—and, though not remarkable for fidelity to the original plot or text, is replete with events and effects, agreeable to the habitués of the Bowery. This week Miss Charlotte Stanley, who plays the part of *Madge*, a waif, in "Crime," is the bright particular star. Miss Stanley exerts herself to the utmost to please, and that she succeeds is evident from the unstinted measure of applause accorded her. She is supported by a company strong in point of numbers and efficiency. All the old favorites—Messrs. Pike, Foster, Melville, France, Mrs. Jones, and Miss Millie Sackett—are in the cast, and all receive due recognition. The same plays will be presented every evening this week, and twice on Thanksgiving day. Miss Jennie Morton is to appear Monday next.

ALABAMA.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATURE—INAUGURATION OF THE NEW GOVERNOR—SPEECH OF GOV. HOUSTON—ENTHUSIASM IN MONTGOMERY.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 24.—At an early hour to-day people were pouring into the city by every sort of conveyance. Every railroad train from North, South, East, and West Alabama, was packed. Five infantry companies and one artillery company from Mobile, one infantry company each from Birmingham, Selma, and Montgomery, and a corps of cadets from the city school took part in the inauguration ceremonies. Gov. Houston was escorted to the Capitol by between 2,000 and 2,500 people, and the ground in front of the building was densely thronged. A stand was erected in a prominent position where all could witness the inauguration. Gov. Houston spoke about fifteen minutes. The following extracts show the tone and temper of his speech:

But with a firm determination to respect and maintain my oath of office, which shall be a seal to my conscience, I unhesitatingly undertake to perform such duties as it imposes, and I will regard it as one of my highest and most sacred obligations to see that the laws are faithfully executed and the rights of all citizens without regard to race, color, or previous condition, duly guarded and protected. Let this occasion inspire the conviction that we live in a land of liberty, regulated by law, without which the citizen would have no security against domestic discord or violence, and that our duty to preserve such laws in their constitutional purity and power should not and cannot be avoided. Let us dismiss from our thoughts and forget whatever acrimonies may have been engendered by the severe conflict in which we have been so recently engaged, and draw from it only lessons of moderation and wisdom which shall be exercised for the improvement of the present and for our guidance in the future. We should understand our victory, and so employ it as to profit by its results. Our rejoicings should not be alone because of a triumph over a defeated adversary, but also because of the success of those great principles which we believe essential to the successful administration of good government. And in the day of our gladness we must not forget our obligations and responsibilities to the State imposed upon us by our success. Alabama is embarrassed, her indebtedness is great, and her people are impoverished. Time will be necessary to correct errors of the past and establish confidence in the future. We must restore the credit of the State to its former high and honorable position, preserve inviolate her good faith, and at the same time protect her people against excessive, unjust, and improper taxation. Wise legislation is required to accomplish these ends. Governments were made by the people to secure their happiness and to protect their rights; and it is the duty of those who may be selected to administer the laws, to do so with reference to the attainment of these ends. So far as it may be in my power as Governor of Alabama I shall regard it as a sacred duty unceasingly to use all proper means for the accomplishment of the grand precept "With malice toward none and charity for all." The citizens of Alabama truly desire peace, and a perfect restoration of fraternal relations between all sections of our common country. They are loyal to the Government of the United States, and will readily yield a cheerful obedience to its authority and laws. They only ask to be permitted, under the Constitution and laws of the country, to exercise, secure from unwarrantable interference, the right of governing themselves at home by just and wisely executed laws.

United States flags were conspicuous in the procession. Lieut. Gov. Ligon was also inaugurated, and presided over the Senate to-day. For the first time since 1867 the Democrats have complete control of all departments of the State Government.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF A YOUNG MERCHANT.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 24.—For a month past the detectives here have been trying to discover some trace of Thomas A. Matthews, a young merchant from Osceola, Ark., who came here to purchase goods, and mysteriously disappeared. When last seen he was starting for the elevator after dark to take passage on a steamer for Osceola, and had a large sum of money with him. As he had left some $20,000 with his father on coming here, no reason is known why he should leave the country. The detectives are of opinion that he was murdered, and the body thrown into the river.

THE BOSTON LABOR REFORMERS AND THE MAYORALTY.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 24.—At a meeting of the Labor Reform Party to-night it was resolved to put a candidate for Mayor in the field to oppose Mr. Cobb, who from present appearances will have the support of both Democrats and Republicans. The Reformers cannot name their candidate yet.

COIN AND PAPER MONEY.

LECTURE BY PROF. BONAMY PRICE ON MONETARY CURRENCY.

THE STANDARD OF VALUE AND PRINCIPLES OF EXCHANGE—THE FUNCTIONS OF GOLD—PAPER CURRENCY—ITS USE OR ABUSE AS A MEDIUM OF SPECULATION —OUR PAPER DOLLAR MERELY A BET —POLICY OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND— AMERICAN FINANCE.

A large audience assembled last evening in Association Hall to listen to a lecture on the subject of "Metallic and Paper Currency," by Prof. Bonamy Price, of Oxford University. Among the gentlemen on the platform were Messrs. William E. Dodge, Peter Cooper, Edwards Pierrepont, A. T. Stewart, Wilson G. Hunt, Samuel B. Ruggles, and others well known in financial and commercial circles. The lecturer, on being introduced by Mr. S. Patterson, said he proposed to speak on the subject of currency, metallic and paper. He was sorry to say that the subject was a region of chaotic confusion—one of the darkest spots in all cultivated society. It has been greatly disputed and made a matter of interminable discussion, and if one wanted a subject which everybody turned away from, let him take up the currency question, and the sound of it turns him weary. The ablest man the lecturer ever knew, a man of great brilliancy and distinction in science and literature, and a brilliant writer, too, once said to him, "As for the currency it passes human understanding." Now, if a man of that calibre found it impossible to comprehend the question, what is to become of others? What is to become of the great nations that have to use the currency and deal with it? What the lecturer said to his dear friend was, he thought, the true solution of the question. He said: "It is because you won't begin from the beginning." The trouble is, everybody thinks that he knows something about it beforehand, but to learn from the beginning is what nobody will do. If these notions are to be the staple of people's thoughts, then the absolute want of knowledge on the currency question is at once explained. Let that method of supposing what should be known is known already be tried upon the sciences and it will be found that the puzzle will be just as great. He would ask his hearers to begin from the beginning, and if they did he felt confident they would think the subject an easy one, but it must be by following the only method pursued in the acquirement of all other sciences. Holding up a half sovereign, and remarking that he regretted he could not produce a whole one, he said it was a coin—a piece of currency; but what was that? It was a piece of gold. Very good; that coin was a piece of gold. It had a mark upon it—the arms of Queen Victoria. Those marks were put upon it in the Royal Mint, the factory where it was made. Did they put anything into that piece of metal at the factory besides pure gold? Yes, they put a little alloy into it to harden it, so that the marks might not be worn off and the amount of the metal might not be lessened by handling. But in England nothing is charged for that alloy or for converting the lump of pure gold into a coin, and the full amount of pure gold which the coin would buy from the miner was put into the coin itself along with the alloy. What on earth was that coin invented for? If he went to Egypt, he would find the only use for it would be to hang it round women's necks for ornament. In fact they have no use for it there. What then was it and what was it for? Now, if he saw a cart he would know what that was. There would be the shafts to suggest a horse, and the wheels to roll it, and the body to carry the burden in—he would know all about the cart. So he would in the same way about a hat; but what was that coin? To find out that he should watch the people who use it. He found that people bought it; they gave their property for it; and, as they don't use it in any way, he would watch them closer and then he perceived that the man who received it and had given his goods for it was anxious to get rid of it as quickly as possible. It became, then, a current thing; a thing that runs—runs backward and forward—from the Latin word *curro*, I run. Then it is bought to run away from the purchaser. His next question would be, What was it necessary for? He gained other goods by selling it, and he found that that current thing had the effect upon him that it had got rid of a quantity of goods that he did not want and brought him the goods that he did want. What was it, then? He would say it was a tool. Then came the great question, why this universal use for it? There is a peculiar quality in human society, and that is that we cannot make all the things we need for ourselves, and there must be, accordingly, a division of labor, a division of employment. This division says that if one man make a hat for another, and the other make shoes for him, &c., those things must be exchanged. But how? The man who raises a horse is not going to give his horse for a hat, for instance. There is something unreasonable in that; it won't do; we must have something for exchange, and we adopt this coin or currency. It a tool.

THE METHOD OF EXCHANGE—MONEY A COMMODITY.

People should never look upon currency as anything else than a tool. All the disorder that occurs in the discussion of this question comes because people won't submit their minds to the idea that this is a means for exchanging goods and for nothing else—for nothing else. Having arrived, so far, where goods are made, and having got them exchanged, it must be remembered that in exchanging, the consideration is, if one man is at the trouble of making a thing for another, the other must compensate the maker, who must get something for his trouble as well as his lost material. If it is skilled trouble, it must be paid for more highly than if unskilled. The professional man, the doctor or the lawyer, will require a great deal for his trouble. If it is a merchant, he must be recouped for his goods, though he does not get as much for his trouble as the lawyer. Now, then, here are the goods on one side and on the other. Now find out how much of one is to be exchanged for the other! He knew of no process other than by comparing how much they cost to make, and then they can be exchanged. The first method of exchange was by barter. One man took his hat and another his shoes, and they began to barter. The difference between the hat and shoes was not so much, but if it was a big engine, or a big ship, then the bartering would be more difficult; if people sat down and calculated how much each article of exchange ought to cost, the process would be interminable. This leads up to the fundamental difficulty in exchanging. If a hatter wants shoes, and a shoemaker wants a hat, they can easily make their calculations; but if the shoemaker is not in want of a hat, then the hatter may go unshod for the rest of his life. The trouble of life in this respect is that the buyer does not always want the exact kind of goods that the seller has to dispose of. There must be something between. The shoemaker says to the hatter, "I don't want your hat, but bring me something I can go to a store with and get what I do want. That is the origin of the use of money. Money was not originally a measure of value. It became a measure of value afterward. The principle upon which that intermediate thing was chosen was laid down by Aristotle. A commodity was arbitrarily selected for this work of exchange. There was no reason why the intermediate thing should be gold or silver. It is a commodity which everybody agrees to take, not by law but by usage. The process of reasoning is, "I'll take from you what I know any other person on the Broadway will take from me for other goods and equal goods." Therefore, the great principle of currency is guarantee.

CURRENCY A GUARANTEE FOR PAYMENT.

We take a coin or any other commodity, because we feel that there is something about it that shall get us other things of the same value as that which we made and parted with. In what does that guarantee consist? That has been disputed. The lecturer would conceive it to consist in nothing else whatever than in equal costs of production and making. He knew of no reason on earth why he should be to the trouble of making a hat, or a book, or anything else, and take in coins for them unless he knew that the cost of making those coins was equal to the cost of making what he parted with. The cost of coin is what we pay the miner. That has been disputed, and is still disputed largely. When Deomede fooled Glaucus and made him give armor worth a hundred bullocks for armor worth seven, it was only because the making of the bullocks in each case was worth the cost of the armor. The lecturer would instance a shocking case in his own experience. He had to pay a bill at a hotel in Geneva. He had no French money and he gave an English coin to the inn-keeper, value for twenty-five francs. The latter said: "This coin has got the mark of King George and the Dragon. Have you got any coin of Queen Victoria's reign?" The lecturer had one and gave it to him, saying at the same time, "I shall be much obliged to you if you tell me why you prefer one to the other." "Because," replied the inn-keeper, "one is old and the other is recent. This coin will be melted before nightfall. The new one is full weight and the old one is sure to be light." It was true. What he got was exchanged without any reference to the coinage, but for a lump of pure gold. If you say that money when it is coined has a different value from gold in the lump, what will happen in England? Why, any person may go to the Bank of England and he will get gold for gold, weight for weight, being charged only 1½d. in every £4, because they give the money instantly instead of waiting to coin the lump of golo. It is perfectly obvious that if there was any difference between the gold in the lump and the gold in the mark, one of two things must happen. What would be done? People would get gold and take it to the Bank of England, and if they get its weight in sovereigns of greater value because coined they would make a handsome profit. If the gold in the lump was of greater value than its weight in coin, then the opposite would happen. But, it is said, look at those pieces of paper—those greenbacks, bank bills, and drafts. They go about the world and buy as much as the metal. What, then, becomes of the doctrine that it is the cost of the metal which settles the value of it? What does the greenback say? "The United States will pay one dollar." The word "dollar" is not got rid of by the paper, and the real reason why it does not go for nothing like the assignats, is that there is a feeling that the Government is indebted for a metallic dollar, and means to pay it, though it very cleverly omitted to say when. But the principle is not lost, and there is always the conception that this debt will come down upon the country with a terrible weight one day. So checks and drafts are all things that buy dollars. We come to that presently, and, in a convertible currency like the currency of England, the paper says you can get the gold whenever you wish.

GOLD AS THE STANDARD OF VALUES.

If all the bank-notes of England were burned any night or morning the nation would not lose a halfpenny, or at least no more than a few hundred pounds. Those who owned the pieces of paper would have their debts paid for nothing, but the nation collectively would not lose a thing. So it was with all paper, and, in other words, the promise or pledge of a thing never was the thing itself. But why has gold been made the standard? Why not other things? The hatter could not get his shoes by a bullock. He could not cut up the bullock. He might cut off the legs or the tail, but he would not get the shoes out of that. Neither could you drive up the bullock to a store in Broadway—drive up a huge bullock—to get it weighed, and to measure out a certain part for every article you might buy. The real reason, then, of adopting the present standard or medium of exchange is because the precious metals are of great value in a small weight and bulk. And they are divisible, because a sovereign can be divided into four equal parts, and each part will be of the same value, which would not be true in the case of the bullock. Another great reason was that there has been a great belief that the value of gold has been very steady. It has not been steady in certain ages of the world. It was not steady when America was discovered, because there were large quantities of gold to be picked up at little cost—much less than in the days of ancient Greece. The consequence was that for a little time there was a great fall in the value of gold. The merchant said he would not give his goods for the same quantity of gold that he would before gold was so cheap. He said he should have more gold. Well, then came in the Californian and Australian discoveries, and the question has been raised, and has not been yet settled, whether the effect of these discoveries has been to alter the value of gold. Mind, said the speaker, I only attach one value to gold—what it cost the miner to get it. For instance, Raphael's pictures would not have served for gold. One man might give £10,000 for a picture by this painter, while another man would not give £1,000. We must have something of a common value. It has been much discussed whether gold has been much depreciated in value. If all things in England and in Europe, and if gold has fallen, then upon this principle we give less to the miner for it. Then the manufacturer who deals in cotton will give less cotton for it, or, which is the same thing, if we give him a lump of gold he will give less cotton for it. The speaker next proceeded to explain the word price. Price is nothing else but the weight of the lump of gold, or coin, of known quality and convenience, which is given in exchange for an article. Some nations reckon it in dollars, or in sovereigns or piastres. They are the coins of various peoples, and they give them their own names. The price meant nothing else but the weight of the lump of metal given for the article. Now, we get from that a measure of value. We must have a measure of value the same as that of weight. The English yard was a certain length of rod divided into thirty-six equal parts, and these parts were called inches. That rod was preserved carefully as the standard of measurement. The French had taken a more scientific standard by measuring the length of a quadrant on the earth's surface. Among ourselves, if any person desires to know the length of any article, the yard measure is applied to it, and the length is thus found. So it is precisely that whatever quantity of metal goes to purchase the hat or the silk dress, or the bonnet, is the price of the article. Very well. The moment we know how much metal goes for each we can compare one with the other, simply because we have got the price of each, just as we can say it is a great deal farther down Broadway to No. 400 than to No. 600. And in this way we reach a common measure of value. Well, now we have got the price and we have got a measure of value, and you can understand, and it is very much debated in America that if gold is cheaper and if gold is the price given for the thing, and if the gold can be got for less from the miner, the miner will furnish more gold for the same things; which is only another way of saying that the prices of things have risen, and that the price of gold has fallen. Consequently if California has produced a large quantity of gold, the selling price must be cheaper. He could show that a great number of things have risen in price, and that a great number of things have fallen in price; consequently, that being so, we do not know whether gold is cheaper or dearer. But people say there is a great deal more gold. Yes, but there is a great deal more work done. There are more ships on the waters, more travelers in the East, where gold is necessary, and there was a deal more traveling in England, and we cannot travel without gold. There was a deal more things made in which gold was employed.

BARTER AND SALE.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, said the lecturer, we have got so far that the use of money is the substitution of double barter for single barter, and we therefore understand how it is that coins run, that they are currency. The coin runs to a cotton merchant when he sells his cotton and barters it against a lump of gold, and consequently it runs again from him when he barters it against a lot of wheat or a steam engine, or whatever he wants. In this way one was measured against another by cost of producing. So he believed in the great rule of Aristotle, that one commodity is to be taken arbitrarily to compare all other things with, and to be taken always resting upon usage. No man was obliged to take it, but everybody knows that every one will take it. It appeared from that, in reference to paper, that the man who sells his goods for coin is paid gold. What was payment? It was one commodity given for another. That the speaker had found in a hotel at Geneva. The man took his gold and was paid, and he melted it down, and very likely gave it to some jeweler or other to make a watch. There was need of it. That showed that the gold was payment. It could be melted and used by those who made gold wares, and if ope class of persons would not take the gold others would. If the owners of stores in Broadway would not have it, then it could be melted down and sold in this way to artisans without loss. The next question was, How many coins do we require? We wanted as many as we required for use and no more. And here was a very important question. What was this use, with the nation, as with men? He might tell them plainly the use it had in these transactions in which coin was used and for nothing else, for where there was a great deal of ready money payments and much railway travel more coins would be wanted. If, he said, there was a great quantity of bank notes and checks, and people pay all their transactions with checks, therefore coin would be wanted; therefore, he would impress upon them that to transact all this business we should have enough of coins. If, he knew, a farmer who wanted ten plows he must buy them, not with a part but if he bought 100 plows the surplus would be of no use to him, and they must go into the shed. Gold was, therefore, the most useful thing in the world. But what was gold to do for them? If I give it to the banker, and he puts it in the bank vault. Now, there was a great principle that people have a sort of idea that there was a capacity for gold. But where does the surplus of it go? It goes to the cellar. Why, then, does gold go to the Bank of England? Because it was guarded there with soldiers. Was it doing any good there? Not a bit. Therefore, they should disabuse themselves of the idea that more coins can be of any use to America beyond what she wants. He then referred to the amount of gold coins in England and France, and said that before the late war fifty millions of English pounds were in the Bank of France. They were not lent. If America were to have all the gold deposited in the Bank of England, she could not use it. Now, it would be seen from this that gold, or silver, or the metals were expensive. But what human industry could be carried on unless they were adopted as the standard of value? The man who wants to sell is not always a man who wants to buy other articles, and therefore the necessity of a general medium of exchange was necessary. It was worth while to pay the cost of that tool in order to exchange. And further, they would remember that it was only as a tool, and that the nation can supply that only to an agency, and if these tools are produced in greater abundance than is necessary they must go into the cellar. Nobody wants them. They could not become cheaper, because when they did they would go at once to foreign countries. There was an idea which he did not believe in. A great man held it that when a country has too many of these tools the value of that class of goods sinks in that country, just as when a woman had too many cabbages they sell for less. He did not think there was anything of that kind. The tools, when they are not wanted, go into the cellar and there remain till they are sent to foreign countries.

RESUMPTION OF SPECIE PAYMENTS.

He wished to say that many people in America seemed to think that there would be great difficulty if they resumed specie payments to get sufficient gold from foreign countries. But they might rely upon it that to a nation that wanted tools there never would be any difficulty in finding them—the commodity would go to any country. The only consideration was that gold would be dearer. There would be no greater supply but a much greater demand for these tools, because people required them.

Now he would come to paper. Gold was expensive, and the wear and tear in the usage of it was heavy. Therefore people are all anxious to get a light tool rather than a heavy one if it be equally good and efficient. By this means there is a saving in the cost. Now, it should not be forgotten that they had nothing but a tool, and they knew that that tool was only wanted to make exchanges, and nothing else. When he gave his property, his cotton, for gold, he did not use the gold. He did not put it on his back and carry it to the cellar. He could not eat it or drink it, but he could make use of it to provide what he wanted. There is such a thing as credit, in which a man says you need not pay me to-day; I can trust you. A manufacturer knows, before he trusts a merchant, if he is perfectly solvent, that the paper is as good as the gold in value, and then he is ready to give his goods for it. For instance, he would take the Bank of England. He would very much prefer to take the paper of that bank because it was lighter, much safer, and he need not use carts to carry it. He considered paper, when it was perfectly solvent, to be very much more desirable. Whoever holds this paper is always certain to get the thing it represents. The paper was therefore exactly the same as gold. The same value is received for it, because every man who receives that £5 Bank of England note knows that he has only to go across the street for its value in gold. Besides, every one will take it from him. There was a sort of unanimous agreement in the nation in this respect. Now, how many notes are needed? It is just the same as before—just as many as the nation wants. But if more notes are put out than are needed, then what becomes of them? Just like the sovereigns, they go down into the bank cellar. There they are watched by a file of soldiers and are perfectly safe, while in my house they might be burned or lost. Now, the lecturer said, he came to an important point. As far as the public goes in England, they pay in paper identically the same thing as you pay in gold; but it makes a great difference to the nation. When England buys in gold away goes the property of the country. When cotton goods or iron rails have gone to Australia or to California they are lost to the country. It has got its metal, but still it has lost its property. But when it buys in notes the property does not leave the country. Thus it is that the Bank of England has obtained £15,000,000 of property from the nation and has lent it to the traders. And that amount instead of being eaten, and drunken, and worn, is left in the country and is in the power of the Bank of England, which lends it out. The present circulation of the Bank of England notes is fifteen millions. So the nation does its trading with fifteen millions of paper, and all above the great security is that the Government owes the bank fourteen millions of pounds, and that the bank has always been eminently safe and slow-going. It lends to steady traders, to people who do not rashly lose their money, and it lends precisely to the people who want the credit. That has been its principle all along and it is by virtue of that that it comes to pass that nobody ever said the Bank of England was unsafe. His own opinion was that five millions more might have been allowed to the bank, but that is a question of detail. But he might be asked how is it known that the Bank of England will not lose this money? What certainty is there of it? The only answer is that experience has shown that the Bank of England is safe.

INCONVERTIBLE PAPER.

Now we come to inconvertible paper, the distinguishing characteristic of which is that nobody knows when it is to be paid. Nothing is said about that. Now it follows from what has been said that the nation pays for inconvertible paper precisely that amount of property. The nation of America has paid for its greenbacks, and has lost precisely the same amount of property as if they had bought gold from the Russians. And there is another difference. If the property is only distributed, as is done by the Bank of England, to traders, there is no loss. But that never has been the origin of inconvertible paper. Everybody knows that inconvertible paper will always be a tax. I want a piece of property and I give a piece of paper for it. In effect I say I will not pay for the property then, and the fact is that the interest is lost. Now, gentlemen, that is a tax. Just compare it with the adulteration of the middle ages. Those bad kings did just the same thing. They got the goods of the country and then slyly degraded the currency. But the people speedily discovered that they had three shillings instead of four. Now that is a bad form of taxation, because it catches and ruins some poor unlucky wretch who is not expecting it. The people generally discover that a guinea decraded to fifteen shillings is just as good for fifteen shillings as it formerly was for twenty-one, but the nation goes blundering along without deriving any benefit. It is a very important principle of Adam Smith that that is a very bad form of taxation which takes more from the people than is gathered into the Treasury. But what are we to say of a tax that after once being raised, the nation gets nothing more from it, but it goes on sacrificing the nation year after year. If there is anything bad in finance it is raising taxes by issuing an inconvertible currency. Now about the depreciators. Mr. Vansittart once made a long speech in the House of Commons, to induce it to declare a pound equal to a guinea. His speech was successful and the bill was passed, but when the unlucky fellow tried to buy a guinea with a pound he had to give twenty-seven shillings for it. In consequence of the depreciation the price was high. A man here does not know what a dollar will be after a few weeks. He may sue upon the supposition that it is to remain in equal value, but he surely finds it growing gradually less. This fluctuation is called exchange in the premium on gold. It ought to be called a depreciation in paper. [Applause.] The first term deceives the people as to what is actually going on about them. He repeated that the people of America paid for these notes precisely as if they paid for them in gold. The nation has given its property for these pieces of paper, and they pay it out to people who destroy it. They do not, like the Bank of England, lend it out to steady traders, but they give it to speculators. What takes place? It results in the destruction of the capital. People furnish rooms at $40,000 to a parlor. What is the meaning of that? All the furniture in that room is capital destroyed. It is property destroyed by speculation. If things are destroyed to be reproduced and increased, no harm results, but if they are destroyed without reproduction the nation is injured.

CURRENCY THE TOOL OF EXCHANGES.

It should never, he said, be forgotten that inconvertible currency was nothing more than the tool of exchange. And that it should never be diverted from that which was its proper function. Something, however, had been superadded to that function in this country, and it had been made the medium of great waste and speculation, carrying with it great national poverty and great national loss. The property given by the nation for these issues of incontrovertible currency was wasted, and the Government that made the issues did not receive a farthing of the taxes which that tax levied. This all came of the fact that a tool which is intended merely to effect exchanges had been converted into a machine to get the people of America to give their property for the purchase of new issues. He could, he said, conceive the necessity for a first tax, but the continuance of such a tax was simply the taking the property of the people of America to put the issues in the hands of people who were destroying this property. This, he maintained, had nothing to do with currency. Take, for instance, the farmers of America. They were the people most injured by those dealings, and yet he understood that they were also the people that wished more especially for such issues. He was always uncertain what he was going to get for his dollar. He was obliged to pay at a high price and did not know what he was going to receive. Many of the fields in America were English fields, for the bread sold in England was American bread. As a rule, prices in both countries remained steady. The prices of the farmers did not rise so fast as those of clever people on Broadway. They took a longer time to think, the fluctuations in the value of currency were not so readily understood, and their prices remained without alteration. Then foreigners imposed a large penalty by reason of this unstable paper currency. They sent in their goods, but they did not know the value of the money which they were to receive. They did not know exactly what value to place upon a dollar, and so they left a wide margin to their own advantage. Now, he would say, no one would in America to the question: "What is a dollar?" without any mention as to the time of its payment. It only meant that some time it would probably be paid, and its value took only the form of a bet. It meant, if I remember right, that twenty that it will be paid; and again, when circumstances were more adverse, it was only seventy to twenty, and later, when matters came round, and Congress took some favorable action, it was a question of, "I'll bet you so and so," indicating something like the ten per cent. at which it stood at present. Yet the people of America were told that they wanted more of these paper dollars, while actually their value was the worth of the chance of getting the dollar which the American Government had promised to pay. It was that and no more. He again reiterated the proposition that gold was not the capital of countries, and that so much gold as it possessed over that which it required to use was simply of no value.

MONEY NO OTHER FUNCTIONS BUT TO EXCHANGE GOODS.

He cited the case of Germany having got $200,000,000 from France, and asserted that she was not one whit the richer if she did not part with that metal to a foreign country. In receiving all the gold, she got tools of which she had already enough, and the result of that was merely to put property from one German hand into another. If America got nothing from Europe but gold, supposing she had already enough, she would be no more richer than if she received a cargo of 1,000 cargoes of hats. Suppose they sent gold, which America did not want; gold could not till their fields or make their cotton grow; but, on the other hand, if Europe sent her manufactured goods, her cloths or such other things as this country might require, then they could clothe more men, set more men to work, and the nation become richer. When this operation went on it was said, "We send you dollars." When the question was asked, "What a dollar is," the common-sense answer was, "It is a bet." And this wretched thing stopped the transfer of gold and capital from Europe to America. He wished to assert in the strongest terms that all this bedevilment came of not recognising the fact which was the foundation of all these questions of political economy, that money had no other function but to exchange goods, and that whatever was added was sure to get people into scrapes. The curse of this inconvertible currency was that it levied upon property and placed it in the hands of those who merely used it for purposes of speculation.

HOW TO GET OUT OF THE TROUBLE.

The next question, he said, was how to get out of the trouble, and he answered it by saying that it was simply to be determined to get out of it. They wanted, he said, all the notes they had, and people would, in fact, rather have them than gold, and if they believed that the issuers of the paper were solvent people there would be remarkably little demand for gold. If it were known that in two years resumption would take place, all future contracts would be settled, and nothing would stand in the way of such resumption. In connection with this question, he said he would trust no government to issue inconvertible notes at pleasure, and in illustration of the advantages of issue by a private corporation, referred to the non-depreciation of notes issued by the Bank of England in a case of emergency. Now nobody in London, he said, was obliged to take these notes, but anybody that pleased might issue them. In short, they were not legal tender.

LEGAL TENDERS.

Here the lecturer said he wished to say a word about the expression "legal tender," for it was not well understood. "Legal tender" means what the law will say when you offer the notes in discharge of a debt. It does not mean that any trader must sell his goods. No tradesman or merchant is compelled to sell his goods at any price. He may sell at any price he pleases, and even oblige a lady to pay for his wares with legs of mutton if he so chooses. Legal tender means that a man is obliged to take greenbacks in discharge of debts due him. The government contractors are always perfectly well satisfied to take greenbacks, because they know they can always pay their numerous creditors with them. But even contractors always charge more for their services in greenbacks than in gold, and that is another dead loss to the American people. Legal tender means that people are obliged to take it, but not that the seller is obliged to sell. Before '44 we had country banks which issued their notes. They were not legal-tender, that is to say any creditor might refuse them. But people found them quite as good, they were very generally taken, and they did quite as well as gold. Then the great discovery was made that the bankers had wasted the property on which the notes were founded. Some of them had gone into notes speculation, and when they found to be a bad currency because it was not safe. Hundreds of bankers issuing at pleasure without security are very bad issues, and are entirely inadmissible. But whom, then, are you going to give this power to? Not to the Government. That is a very difficult question for one organ to your institutions to answer. There were a great many details about our banks, the lecturer said, that were very hard for him to master. But there would be less difficulty about it when the Americans had made up their minds to convertibility. But do not have two systems of issuing. It interferes with the simple idea that whoever issues must be perfectly solvent. That was the peculiarity of the English system. An able American had said that the Bank of England system could not be scientifically excellent because no other nation had adopted it. But it was perfectly solvent. Those fifteen millions of notes were given to the bank to do what it pleased with. They were given to it by habit, by tradition, by custom, by popular opinion. She lends it out to honest tradesmen. You do not find the Bank of England accepting accounts with newly-formed joint stock companies.

A QUESTION ANSWERED.

In answer to a question interposed by a gentleman in the audience as to whether the Bank of England paid anything to Government for the permission to issue fifteen millions, Mr. Price explained that the Government owed the Bank of England fourteen millions, for which no interest was paid, and that although it would be the duty of the Bank to pay out of its necessarily large profits something to the State, (its profits coming from the property of State,) that in this way a balance was established. In conclusion, he said, No gold that comes to you, unless you want it, is of the slightest use to you. For your own interest, I tell you that the American currency places America below the level of scientific study. You are the last people to be ashamed of your history; but, gentlemen, you are mortal, and if you commit errors you must suffer for them. Whoever is acquainted with American currency, says Poor America, and you stand below your natural position in the world because you have so mischievous a theory of finance.

THE GREAT MEXICAN CATTLE-THIEF.

WHERE STOLEN CATTLE FROM TEXAS GO—HOW CORTINA BLACKMAILS CLAIMANTS —THE CHIEF BUSINESS OF THE MEXICANS ON THE BORDER.

GALVESTON, Texas, Nov. 24.—A special dispatch to the *News*, from Brownsville, says:

"The cattle recaptured by Rock have been sold in Matamoras for the benefit of the owners. Gen. Cortina was the purchaser. He paid $4 per head for the best and $2 for inferior. He buys all kinds of animals, brands them, and puts them on one of his ranches.

The drove which crossed at El Haad's ranch, sixteen miles below Brownsville, consisted of 200 head. They belonged mostly to J. G. Brown, Sheriff of Cameron County, who waited on Judge Castello Montero, of Matamoras, and procured an order to pursue and rescue the stolen cattle. The order was placed in the hands of Jesus Villareal and others on this side. They followed the trail to the ranch of Reacor De La Capella, fifty miles from Matamoras. The owner of the ranch told them they could not enter his pasture. After receiving Judge Montero's order, he went with them, and they found 117 head of cattle. The robbers had selected and removed the best. They proceeded toward Matamoras with the cattle, but were met by three policemen, having orders from Gen. Cortina, Mayor of Matamoras, to take the cattle from them, on the ground that an American had no right to pursue and recover stolen property in Mexico. Villareal exhibited the order of Judge Monteros, when one of the policemen was sent to report to Cortina, while the others remained with Villareal. On Saturday night last the cattle were penned at Puentas Verdes, three miles from Matamoras. During the night Cortina took them by force and removed them to a pen of his own at Lallarean. On Sunday Mr. Brown went to Matamoras and Lallarean with Cortina. The latter counted 110 cattle. Brown demanded the others from Villareal, and was told that two had been eaten on the road, and five left with Cortina, who demanded $10 for a heifer of Capt. King's which had been killed. Brown said he held Villareal accountable for the missing animals, when he suddenly found himself surrounded by Gregorio Rodriguez, Joaquin Treveno, and others, escaped prisoners from Brownsville jail.

Gen. Cortina refused to give up the cattle. He pretended he had been made to pay heavily for property reclaimed from Texas. This is untrue, and was said as a pretext for levying blackmail on Brown. Cortina said he would leave the case to the Judge; yet he had just violated the Judge's order by seizing the cattle. Mr. Brown is in Matamoras now.

RIOT AT MAHANOY CITY, PENN.—SEVERAL MEN INJURED.

POTTSVILLE, Penn., Nov. 24.—At Mahanoy City, on Saturday and Sunday nights, there were disturbances and excitement on the principal street, which culminated in a regular fight last night, growing out of the Major assassination some time since. A number of shots were fired, several men were injured, and great excitement prevails among the citizens. One saloon was entirely gutted. The original difficulty started three weeks ago between two fire companies at a fire, since which time the feud has been kept up.

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER IN OHIO.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 24.—A mysterious murder is exciting the people near Bethany, ten miles east of Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio. Saturday night, Christopher Harris, a young man, and member of a large family, went out after fuel, and was stabbed near the house, according to the story of the family. Alarm was given to the neighboring farmers, who came in and saw the victim. An inquest was held by a magistrate, and a verdict rendered of death by violence by unknown hands. Yesterday at the funeral an immense concourse of people attended, and demanded that the body be placed in a vault instead of buried, as the family had intended. Succeeding in this, they sent to Hamilton for the County Coroner. The authorities went out from Hamilton to-night to arrest the near relatives of the deceased, and hold them until after a full investigation has been had.

ELEVEN SPANISH DESERTERS SHOT IN CUBA.

A letter from Havana dated the 19th inst. says: "Last month a party of twenty-five Spanish soldiers of the artillery garrisoning Fort St. Hilaire, in the Central Department, revolted, seized a coasting schooner at Puerto del Padre, on the north coast, and under threats of death forced the Captain of the vessel to get under way, ordering him to take them to Key West, St. Thomas, or any of the neighboring islands. The Captain, seeming to accede to their wishes, weighed anchor and set sail, but ran the vessel aground on a neighboring key. He then jumped into a small boat under the pretext of getting aid, and informed the commander, who sent a force of men to arrest the deserters. They were tried by court-martial, and on the 6th inst. eleven of them were shot and the remaining fourteen imprisoned."

THE "MARTHA WASHINGTON TEA PARTY" IN BROOKLYN.

The Lady Washington Tea Party, for which great preparations had been made, took place last evening at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, and proved to be an affair of great brilliancy. The purpose of the entertainment was in aid of the Brooklyn Maternity, and the people of the sister city, true to their charitable instincts, responded generously to the appeal. About two thousand people were assembled in the Academy at one time during the evening, and it was estimated that nearly twenty-five hundred tickets were disposed of at the price of five dollars each. The arrangements of the Committee of Managers had been not only extensive, but excellent. The parquet had been floored over even with the stage and lower dress circle. The parquet was divided, however, from the stage. On the stage were placed thirteen small tea tables capable of seating about thirteen persons each, all of which were overhung with a canopy with the name and arms of each of the thirteen original States thereon. The programme of the evening was, first, a reception by Gen. and Lady Washington, who were supposed to be dispensing the hospitalities of the White House in the famous republican court at the national capital. At an early hour nearly all the seats in the dress circles and balconies were occupied by lookers-on, while the guests entered upon the floor and proceeded to pay their respects to the President and lady. Gen. Washington was personated by Mr. Luther B. Lyman, and Lady Washington by Mrs. H. W. Sage. Dressed in the imposing costume of the time, they occupied a position near one of the proscenium boxes, and received their guests in the most courtly manner. During the reception and refreshment hours, which took place from 7 to 9 o'clock, Corteno's full band, stationed in the gallery, performed a programme of fine selections. At the height of the reception the grand saloon presented the most brilliant appearance. The rule of full dress was strictly adhered to, and was continued to the hour of leave-taking at 12 o'clock. Among the prominent people present were Mayor Hunter, Controller Powell, Commissioner Stranahan, Judge McCue, Judge Troy, Col. A. C. Keeney, Gen. Tracy, William C. Kingsley, Andrew McLean, Gen. Slocum, John B. Norris, Ex-Governor Stewart L. Woodford, Daniel C. Robbins, William F. Hester, Sanford Battershal, Henry Beam, Lorin Palmer, William H. Sage, George P. Sheldon, Thomas G. Sherman, S. B. Chittenden, George S. Cary, Samuel S. Dale, Edward T. Howard, Joseph Howard, Jr., R. C. Moffat, William A. Tyler, J. H. Hart, and many others.

NOT A TIME TO BE "CARM."

From the Detroit Free Press.

"He's scooted with another woman!" exclaimed a corpulent female, afflicted with asthma, as she pulled herself through the door of the Central Station yesterday forenoon. The Police Sergeants are never hasty about expressing their opinion, and the one in charge of the station looked at the woman and didn't even nod his head for her to go on. The woman took a chair, or nearly two chairs, puffed away like a hack-horse for several minutes, and then as the tears came to her eyes, she continued:

"I'll never forgive him, and if he's caught you may sentence him for life! To think that after we've lived together these five years and better he should desert his own true love to run away with a girl named Sarah!"

"You refer to your husband, I suppose," said the Sergeant, cautiously.

"What other woman's husband would I be referring to?" she demanded. "Of course it is my husband —my John Henry Polk!"

"And I infer that he has deserted you."

"That's what he's done—deserted me and run off with a girl named Sarah something or other, and I am left here without a friend!"

"He shouldn't have done that!" remarked the Sergeant, after a long pause.

"No, he shouldn't," she replied. "Why, what was he when I married him! Didn't I take him when he was a good-for-nothing, insignificant whiffet of sixteen and bring him up to what he is! And now this is my return!"

She sobbed away for awhile and then went on. "He called me his darling—his dear gazelle, and he said that I was sugar melted over, and all that, and I believed it—yes, believed it, like the fool I am."

"And he's gone, eh?"

"Gone! Didn't I say he'd gone? I can hardly believe it, though, when I look over the letter he wrote me; and see how he called me his shining angel and his noonday star. I can hardly realize that he has left me and taken up with a freckled girl!"

"It's very sad," sighed the Sergeant.

"You don't know my feelings," she replied; "don't begin to realize how this heart of mine is wrenched. I wish you'd catch him, sir. I wish you'd bring him back here and stand him over there, and leave me over here and lock the doors for about two minutes!"

"Be calm, madam," remarked the Sergeant.

"Carm! How can I be carm? When I think of John Henry and Sarah and dear gazelle and shining angel and noonday star, can I bid my heart be carm?"

She left her husband's description and went away, and the police will catch him if they can.

A SINGULAR CASE.

Several weeks ago a burglar named Wallrabe was captured in the Orange Mountains by the Newark, N. J., Police, charged with having been concerned in numberless burglaries in the vicinity. Forty charges were preferred against him and he pleaded guilty to all of them. He informed the Police that he had had an accomplice, whom he described as a man with light complexion and light mustache. He had written the description on a piece of paper and Detective Becker was sent to look after the man. Becker lost the paper, and, forgetting the description given him, arrested a dark-complexioned man who gave his name as Patrick McGarraghen. McGarraghen was tried in the Essex County Sessions Monday, and Wallrabe swore positively, notwithstanding the fact that the prisoner did not answer his description, that he was his accomplice. The case was given to the jury Monday evening. Yesterday morning the paper was found by Becker, and at his request the jurors were called and it was placed in their possession. Before receiving it they had stood nine for conviction. Within ten minutes after they had seen the paper they agreed upon a verdict of acquittal and McGarraghen was discharged.

DEPARTURES OF EUROPEAN MAILS FOR DECEMBER.

The steamers appointed to convey the United States mails to Europe during the month of December, 1874, will sail as follows: From New-York, Dec. 1, steamer Lessing, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 2, steamer Parthia, for Queenstown; Dec. 3, steamer Silesia, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 5, steamer Hermann, for Southampton and Bremen; Dec. 5, steamer Celtic; Dec. 8, steamer Idaho; Dec. 9, steamer Algeria—all for Queenstown; Dec. 10, steamer P. Caland, for Rotterdam; Dec. 10, steamer Holsatia, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 12, steamer Oceanic, for Queenstown; Dec. 12, steamer Ville de Paris, for Havre; Dec. 12, steamer Deutschland, for Southampton and Bremen; Dec. 15, steamer Herda, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 16, steamer Abbotsford, for Antwerp; Dec. 16, steamer Abyssinian, for Queenstown; Dec. 17, steamer Cambria, for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg; Dec. 19, steamer Republic, for Queenstown; Dec. 19, steamer Minister Roon, for Southampton and Bremen; Dec. 19, steamer Wyoming, Dec. 23, steamer Russia, both for Queenstown; Dec. 24, steamer Rotterdam, for Rotterdam; Dec. 24, steamer Frisia, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 26, steamer Baltic, for Queenstown; Dec. 26, steamer Ems, for Southampton and Bremen; Dec. 26, steamer Pereire, for Havre; Dec. 29, steamer Schiller, for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg; Dec. 30, steamer Java, for Queenstown; Dec. 31, steamer Thuringia, for Plymouth

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

A greater number of sales than usual were noticed for yesterday, (Tuesday, Nov. 24,) at the Exchange, and of the entire number only one was postponed. The attendance at the auctions was quite large, and a review of the day's business shows the following results:

E. A. Lawrence & Co., by order of the Supreme Court, in partition, under the direction of Alfred T. Ashurst, Esq., Referee, sold improved City real estate, viz., one four-story brick store, with lot 94.6 by 76, (rear 26.5 feet,) No. 152 South street, about 30 feet from Peck slip, sold for $30,400 to Owen O'Connor; one two-story basement and attic brick house, with lot 25 by 100, No. 51 Henry street, about 200 feet from Market street, sold for $10,600 to Mrs. Kate Murray, and one two-story and attic brick house, with lot, part leasehold and part free, 23.9 by 83, No. 73 Market street, about 100 feet from Cherry street, sold for $3,350 to Owen O'Connor.

James M. Miller, under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, A. H. Wallace, Esq., Referee, sold in one parcel the following valuable property: Premises No. 54 Greenwich street and No. 55 Washington street, comprising a lot 27.10 by 164.10 by 26.9 by 166.9, running through from street to street, 133.3 feet north of Morris street, with buildings thereon; also, the house, with lot 25.3 by 36, No. 56 Greenwich street, adjoining above, sold for $17,250 over and above mortgage and interest, amounting to $97,133; total, $114,383; purchaser, Theodore Schappe, for plaintiff in legal action.

E. H. Ludlow & Co., also, under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, George P. Smith, Esq., Referee, sold a three-story and basement brown-stone front house, with lot 18 by 74, on East Seventy-fourth street, south side, 36 feet east of Fourth avenue, for $11,900, to John P. Ackerman.

A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, under a Court order similar to the above, John Hubbell, Esq., Referee, sold the three-story and basement brick house, with lot 25 by 93.11, No. 23 Eighth street, (Clinton place,) north side, 240.10 feet east of University place, for $14,500; purchaser, Charles Coudert, plaintiff's attorney.

A. H. Muller & Son, by order of the Supreme Court, in foreclosure, George S. Sedgwick, Esq., Referee, disposed of four lots, together in size 99.11 by 100, on Tenth avenue, north-west corner of One Hundred and Fifty-second street, for $18,000, to George H. Peck. These lots sold very low. The legal sale by the same firm of lots on Jerome avenue, north-east corner of James street, Morrisania, Twenty-third Ward, was adjourned to Dec. 3.

William Kennelly, also, under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, Edward P. O'Neil, Esq., Referee, sold one lot, 25.2 by 97.6 by 25.3 by 94.4, with small frame building thereon, located on West Fifty-sixth street, south side, 150 feet west of Ninth avenue, for $3,625, to John Ryan, plaintiff in the foreclosure suit, and thus sale closed the day's transactions.

The sale noticed for Monday by Weeks & Crisley, of a house and thirteen lots on Jersey City Heights, situate on Ogden avenue, north-east corner of Bowers street, was adjourned by reason of the storm to Dec. 1.

E. A. Lawrence & Co. sold at Astoria, under foreclosure proceedings, between 400 and 500 lots belonging to the Bacon & Hyde farm, at figures ranging from $100 to $240 per lot, nearly all of which were purchased by the former owners of the property.

R. C. Ferguson, Nos. 59 and 61 Liberty street, (room No. 13,) reports having sold at private contract the three-story French roof brown-stone house, (partly furnished,) 12.6 by 60, with lot 100 feet deep, No. 19 West Forty-sixth street, for $27,000, cash.

TO-DAY'S AUCTIONS.

To-day's sales, as noticed, are as follows:

By Richard V. Harnett, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, S. H. Olin, Esq., Referee, of a three-story and basement brick house, with lot 25 by 98.9, on West Twenty-second street, south side, about 275 feet east of Eighth avenue.

By Hugh N. Camp, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, G. I. Whitehead, Esq., Referee, of the four-story brick store, with lot 23 by about 101, No. 228 Pearl street, 150 feet north of Fletcher street.

By Joseph McGuire, Receiver's sale, under the direction of David D. Terry, Esq., of a lease of the premises No. 41 Bowery, and Nos. 23 and 25 Chrystie street, between Bayard and Canal streets.

By James M. Miller, at City Hall, at 12 M., foreclosure sale of lots 150 by 456.11 by 150 by 503.9, on Nagle avenue, corner of Ellwood street, Dyckman tract, being a portion of the estate of R. F. Carman, deceased.

EXCHANGE SALES, TUESDAY, NOV. 24.

NEW YORK.

By E. A. Lawrence.

1 four-story brick store and lot No. 152 South street, 30 ft. from Peck slip, lot 24.6x76, (rear 26.5 ft.).....$20,400

1 two-story basement and attic brick house and lot, 200 ft. from Henry st., about 100 ft. from Market st, lot 25x100, house 44 ft. deep, with extension.....10,800

1 two-story and attic brick house and lot, No. 73 Market street, about 100 ft. from Cherry st., lot part leasehold and part fee, 23.9x85, house 40 ft. deep.....3,350

By James M. Miller.

Premises No. 54 Greenwich st. and No. 55 Washington st., lot 27.10x164.10x29.9x166.9, running through from street to street, 133.3 ft. n. of Morris st., with buildings; also, 1 house and lot No. 56 Green wich st., adjoining above; sold in one parcel.....114,382

By E. H. Ludlow & Co.

1 three-story and basement brown-stone house and lot, East 74th st., s. s., 36 ft. e. of 4th av., lot 18x74.....$11,900

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White.

1 three-story and basement brick house and lot, No. 23 8th st., (Clinton place,) n. s., 240.10 ft. e. of University place, lot 25x93.11.....$14,500

By A. H. Muller & Son.

4 lots, 10th av., n. w. corner of 152d st., together in size 99.11x100, sold in one parcel..$12,000

By William Kennelly.

1 frame house and lot, West 56th st., s. s., 150 ft. w. of 9th av., lot 25.2x97.6x25.3x94.4.....$3,425

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Monday, Nov. 23.

Pearl st., n. w. corner Baxter st., 22x82x20x92; Alexander Campbell to Eliza Cunningham, one-fifth part.....exempt.

Prospect place, w. s., 80.9 ft. n. of 42d st., 16.8x54.8; H. Cohen to J. Heintz.....exempt.

Stanton st., No. 187, 37.8x62.6; J. Kenner to F. Geminder.....32,000

10th st., n. s., 408 ft. w. of 2d av., 21x94.8; J. Cornwell to Amelia F., wife of John H. Johnston.....20,500

15th st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 9th av., 75x76.4; J. Astor to W. M. Johnson.....5,100

10th st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of Avenue B, 18x92; Sarah, wife of Herman J. Bachran, to Margaretha Muller.....15,900

23d st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of Madison av., 20x98.9; George S. Byron to Emma B., wife of Edward M. Benjamin, and Anna Byron.....10,500

34th st., No. 303 East, 10x55.4; J. G. Cary to Mary Collins, widow.....12,000

42d st., n. s., 99.8 ft. e. of 2d av., 33.4x98.9; J. M. Mueller to A. A. Kramer, ½ part.....6,000

44th st., n. w. corner of Madison av., 28x85.5; B. F. Beekman to H. W. Sibley.....60,000

140th st., n. s., 300 ft. w. of 7th av., 100x99.11; 141st st., s. s., 300 ft. w. of 7th av., 100x99.11; Salvator Carulo to Cornelius Callahan.....20,000

Johnson av., w. s., indefinite locality at Spuyten Duyvil; Thomas Henry Ensall to Charles C. Wolfrom.....

Union av., w. s., lot No. 60, map of Hitons, Westchester County, 75x300; Patrick Burns to Mary Burns.....nom.

Same property; Mary Burns to Bridget Burns..nom.

Willis av., e. s., 50 ft. s. of 140th st., 100x100; Willis av., e. s., 50 ft. s. of 143d st., 100x100; R. Stursberg to W. Stursberg.....54,000

1st av., e. s., where the southern line of 97th st. if extended, would strike said av.; thence s. 200 ft. to a line parallel with 1st av. and 100 ft. w. of 1st av., thence n. 100.1 ft., water lots; Moses Merbach to Isaac Mehrbach.....45,000

1st av., e. s., 86 ft. n. of 116th st., 20x94; W. Dickson to S. Cardwell, Jr.....15,750

3d av., n. e. corner of 84th st., 40x100; 84th st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 3d av., 25x100; Elizabeth, wife of N. Haas, to S. Huber.....75,000

Same property; Stephen Huber to Nicholas Haas.....75,000

11th av., s. w. corner of 60th st., 100.5x100; 60th st., s. s., 180 ft. w. of 11th av., 20x100.5; 60th st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 11th av., 20x100.5; 59th st., s. s., 160 ft. w. of 11th av., 20x100.5; 60th st., s. s., 120 ft. w. of 11th av., 40x100.5; John M. Mueller to Adam A. Kramer, ½ part.....63,500

LEASEHOLD CONVEYANCE.

15th st., s. s., 319 ft. e. of 1st av., 25x103.3; Margaret Mueller to Sarah Bachran.....$18,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

THREE STORES AND EXPRESS BUILDING, shop, or livery stable, for sale; on leased ground, No. 985 8th av.; $4,000 each. Also, two new four-story dwellings, 62d st., 174 feet west of Broadway, $19,000, or will be rented, $150 per month. Also, an elegant four-story dwelling, newly frescoed, No. 308 West 58th st., $30,000. WM. BEDELL, owner and builder, 985 8th av.

FOR SALE—AN EIGHT-ROOM COTTAGE, WITH modern improvements, situate on high ground, in first-class neighborhood, convenient to horse or steam cars, in New-city-Third Ward; terms easy. Inquire of JAS. L. PARSHALL, on Washington av., corner 167th st., Morrisania.

NO. 614 5TH AV.—ELEGANT DWELLING, EXtra low; also No. 51 West 42d st., with stable; a bargain. V. K. STEVENSON, Jr., No. 11 Pine st., or No. 31 East 17th st.

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A FINE VILLA RESIDENCE, 22X60, WITH ground 35x133, very near Prospect Park, will be sold at a low figure, or exchanged for vacant lots free, or a country seat at Englewood; lightly encumbered. J. N. WYCKOFF & CO., No. 21 Park row, New-York.

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HUDSON RIVER FARM AT A BARGAIN.—Eighty acres at Staatsburg; cottage, barn, vineyard, spring, &c.; beautiful river and mountain scenery; only $5,000; easy terms. C. H. OLIVER, No. 1 Park place.

ORANGE, N. J.—COUNTRY HOUSES, LANDS, and village lots for sale; a great variety. Also, furnished and unfurnished houses to let for season or year, by WALTER S. SMITH, formerly Blackwell & Smith, Orange, corner of Main and Cedar streets.

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TO LET—FULLY FURNISHED, COMPLETE, spacious residence of Fanning U. Tucker, on Sandford av., Flushing, in perfect order; water, gas, furnace; beautiful grounds highly improved; coach-house, large garden; near both depots; location unsurpassed. JAMES B. PARSONS, No. 34 Pine st.

TO RENT—COMPLETELY AND HANDSOMELY furnished and frescoed, the medium-size house No. 114 East 45th st., never before rented. For permits apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine st., or No. 85 East 17th st.

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TWENTY-ONE MOST DESIRABLE PRIvate residences, belonging to the North American Life Insurance Company, rent per annum from $500 to $6,000, to lease for a term of years. K. F. PAGE, No. 33 Park row, Manager.

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BANKRUPT NOTICES.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States, for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of NELSON ALVORD, Jr., and HENRY H. DOWNER, bankrupts.—In bankruptcy.—A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued by said court against the estate of Nelson Alvord, Jr., and Henry H. Downer, of the County of New-York, of the State of New-York, in said district, adjudged bankrupts upon the petition of their creditors, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupts, to them or to their use, and the transfer of any property by them, are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy to be holden at No. 345 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of John Fitch, Esq., one of the Registers in Bankruptcy of said court.
OLIVER FISKE, Marshal—Messenger.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN CONNOLLY, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued by said court against the estate of John Connolly, of the County of New-York, of the State of New-York, in said district, adjudged a bankrupt upon the petition of his creditors, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or to his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy to be holden at No. 345 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of John Fitch, Esq., one of the Registers in Bankruptcy of said court. OLIVER FISKE, Marshal—Messenger.

NO. 4,938.—IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of McCULLOUGH'S LEAD COMPANY, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register in Bankruptcy.—Southern District of New-York, ss.: At the City of New-York, the 10th day of November, A. D. 1874. To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of McCullough's Lead Company, of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, within said district, which has been adjudged bankrupt upon the petition of its creditors, by the District Court of said district.
JAMES McCULLOUGH, Assignee.
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NO. 4,956.—IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN DE WILDE, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Before Edgar Ketchum, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment and qualification as assignee of the estate of John De Wilde, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said district.—Dated at New-York, the 17th day of November, A. D. 1874.
ALFRED F. MUNN, Assignee,
No. 114 Chambers street, New-York City.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the District of New-Jersey.—In the matter of WILLIAM H. HALSEY, bankrupt.—The said bankrupt having applied to the Court for a discharge from his debts, and other matters as by the statute in that behalf required, as by order of the Court, notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, to appear on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1874, at ten o'clock A. M., before the said Court, at Trenton, New-Jersey, and show cause, if any they have, why a discharge should not be granted to the said bankrupt. R. C. BELVILLE, Clerk.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of DAVID VROOMAN, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Before Egbert Whitaker, Register.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of David Vrooman, of Athens, in the County of Greene, and State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said District.—Dated at Catskill, N. Y., the 10th day of November, A. D. 1874.
J. H. BAGLEY, Jr., Assignee.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 19th day of November, A. D. 1874, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of RUSSELL W. BURKE, of New-York City, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Beekman street, Room No. 6, in the City of New-York, before Mr. James F. Dwight, Register, on the 10th day of December, A. D., 1874, at 1 o'clock P. M.
OLIVER FISKE, United States Marshal,
as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

LEGAL NOTICES.

AT A SPECIAL TERM OF THE SUPREME Court, held at Chambers, in the City of New-York, on the 17th day of November, 1874.—Present Hon. A. B. Lawrence, Justice.—WILLIAM GOURLEY, administrator of Elisabeth Ray, deceased, against JOSEPH CAMPBELL, Alexander Campbell, Samuel Seaton, and Elizabeth Seaton.—On reading and filing the affidavit of C. F. Brown, one of the attorneys for the plaintiff herein, from which it appears that summons by publication setting forth, among other things, that the defendants Samuel Seaton and Elizabeth Seaton are now resident infants, and that no guardian has been appointed for them in this action; on motion of Cassedy & Brown, plaintiff's attorneys, it is ordered that Robert E. Deye, Esq., a counselor at law, be, and he is hereby appointed guardian ad litem for the purposes of this action, unless said defendants or some one in their behalf, within twenty days after service of a copy of this order in the manner herein directed, procure a guardian ad litem to be appointed, and give notice thereof to the plaintiff's attorneys. It is further ordered, that this order be served by publication thereof in two newspapers, to wit, in the *New-York Times*, published in the City of New-York, and in the *Argus*, published in the City of Albany, once a week for six weeks successively.
WM. WALSH, Clerk.
CASSEDY & BROWN, Plaintiff's Attornies.
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SUPREME COURT, CITY AND COUNTY OF New-York.—CHARLES DUGGIN, plaintiff, vs. LELA S. PARAF and ALFRED PARAF, her husband; Russell Sage, John J. Searing, Henry D. Rolph, Millicent H. Martin, and William R. Martin, her husband, defendants.—Summons for relief.—(Com. not served.)—To the defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the Court-house in said City, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office No. 165 Broadway, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated Oct. 26, 1874.
SIDNEY S. HARRIS, Plaintiff's Attorney.
The complaint in the above entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the Court-house in said City, on the 26th day of October, 1874.
SIDNEY S. HARRIS, Plaintiff's Attorney.
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Further information can be had on application to G. D. L'HUILLIER, Chief Auditor.

OFFICE OF THE HOWARD INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 66 WALL ST., NEW-YORK, Nov. 20, 1874.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this company will be held at their office on MONDAY, Dec. 7, 1874, between the hours of 12 M. and 4 o'clock P. M.
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The transfer books will be closed from the 30th day of November to the 10th day of December, both days inclusive.
By order of the Board.
W. H. WOOD, Jr., Secretary.

NATIONAL BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, No. 15 NASSAU ST., Nov. 17, 1874.

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PROPOSALS.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, Corner of Grand and Elm sts., NEW-YORK, Nov. 14, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THE PRINTING required by the Board of Education for the year 1875, and for delivering the supplies to the schools under the jurisdiction of the Board during said year, will be received at their office until the 30th day of November inst., at 3 P. M.
Samples of the various kinds of printing required may be seen at the Clerk's office, where the necessary information obtained, as to the time and manner of delivering supplies.
Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for Printing," or "Proposals for Delivering Supplies," as the case may be. The Committee reserve the right to reject any or all bids received, if deemed essential for the public interest.
RUFUS G. BEARDSLEE,
ANDREW J. MATHEWSON,
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DAVID WETMORE,
Committee on Supplies.
LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STS., NEW-YORK, Nov. 11, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT this office until the 28th day of November instant, at 3 P. M., for supplying for the use of the Public Schools under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, books, stationery, and other articles required for one year, commencing on the 1st of January, 1875.
City and country publishers of books and dealers in the various articles required are hereby notified that preference will be given in all cases to the bids of principals, the committee being desirous that commissions (if any) heretofore paid to agents or middlemen shall be deducted from the price of the various articles bid for.
A sample of each article must accompany the bid.
A list of articles required will be furnished on application to the Clerk of the Board of Education.
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Committee on Supplies.

THREE PAVILIONS ON BLACKWELL'S ISLAND.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Department of Public Charities and Correction, until 10 o'clock A. M., Dec. 2, 1874, for Three Pavilions on Blackwell's Island.
For particulars see *City Record*. Copies for sale at No. 2 City Hall.

COFFEE, RYE, BLANKETS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Department of Public Charities and Correction, until 10 o'clock A. M., Nov. 28, 1874, for Coffee, Rye, Blankets.
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CARTS AND CART HARNESS.

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ANDES.....Nov. 27
NASSAU, KINGSTON, CARTHAGENA, and SAVANILLA.
ATLAS.....Dec. 5
GONAIVES, PORT AU PRINCE, CURACOA, MARACAIBO, JACMEL, LAGUAYRA, PUERTO CABELLO, LA GUAYRA.....Dec. 15
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CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

A series of noonday prayer-meetings has been inaugurated at the old Water Street Mission of the Port Society.

Joseph M. Block, charged with the larceny of $150, was acquitted in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday.

Commissioner Myer Stern, Nelson J. Waterbury, John Foley, and others called upon Mayor Havemeyer yesterday.

John Powell, aged fifty-two, while intoxicated, fell down stairs at his residence, No. 439 East Nineteenth street, and sustained serious injuries.

The fourth annual handicap games of the New-York Caledonian Club, open to members, will take place at Jones' Wood on Thanksgiving Day.

The boys at the Sixteenth Ward Lodging-house of the Children's Aid Society will be provided with dinner to-morrow at the expense of Messrs. Roosevelt & Co.

Aldermen John J. Morris, Oliver P. C. Billings, Andrew Blessing, and Edward Gilon, and also Charles M. Clancy, Civil Justice, took the oath of office yesterday.

A very pleasant musical and literary entertainment was given last evening, under the auspices of St. Mary's Library Association, at their rooms, No. 235 East Broadway.

A fire occurred yesterday morning in a closet on the second floor of No. 12 Wall street, caused by the ignition of some matches left lying on the floor. Damage, $250; insured.

Alfred Mangels, aged twenty-three, was seriously injured yesterday by being struck by a skid which was being lowered from the steamer Gaelic at Pier No. 32 North River.

Rev. E. P. Rogers, D. D., will preach at the South Reformed Church, corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-first street, to-morrow at 11 A. M. Subject: "The Glory of New-York."

Mr. William G. Barnard, Superintendent of the Five Points House of Industry, acknowledges the receipt from G. Marion of $2, to be applied to the newsboys' dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

The Children's Aid Society will provide dinners for 150 boys at the Rivington Street Lodging-house to-morrow, at 7:30 P. M. The attendant expenses will be defrayed by a prominent merchant of this City.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, Walter Haynes, indicted for indecently assaulting Josephine Mehesy, aged eleven years, pleaded guilty to common assault, and was sent to the Penitentiary for one year.

The inmates of the Five Points Mission, No. 61 Park street, will celebrate their twenty-fourth annual Thanksgiving festival to-morrow. Exercises in the chapel will commence at 2 o'clock, to be followed by a dinner at 3 P. M.

A dinner will be given to the children of the Wilson Industrial School, at the Mission House, corner Avenue A and Eighth street, on Thanksgiving Day at 12:30 o'clock. All friends of mission work are cordially invited to be present.

The second of a series of organ concerts will be held at the Church of the Holy Trinity, corner of Madison avenue and Forty-second street, this afternoon, at 4 o'clock. Vocal selections will be rendered by Signora Maria Salvotti, and S. Austin Pearce will presice at the organ.

The first of a series of entertainments in aid of the New-York Hospital for Women, under the direction of the Ladies' Hospital Association, was held last evening in the parlors of the institution, Thirty-seventh street and Lexington avenue. It was attended by a numerous company of prominent ladies and gentlemen.

Kate Zum, aged eleven, of No. 641 East Eleventh street, who was run over on Monday evening, at Avenue A and Tenth street, by a coach driven by James O'Neil, died yesterday from the injuries received. O'Neil, who was arrested, was discharged by Coroner Eickhoff.

The Catholic Union of New-York has made preparations for the observance of Thanksgiving Day. In the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Fifteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, solemn high mass will be celebrated, to be followed by a sermon. There will also be mass in the Church of the Transfiguration, in Mott street.

A regular monthly meeting of the Eleventh Assembly District Republican Association was held last evening at Republican Hall, Thirty-third street, near Broadway, United States District Attorney Bliss presiding. It was announced that the primary election would be held on Dec. 9.

Mr. W. H. Force, of Brooklyn, was yesterday arrested and taken before Justice Murray, at the Tombs Police Court, on complaint of Mr. John W. Hamilton, who charged him with assaulting him on the 20th inst., by seizing him by the collar of his coat. Mr. Force was held to bail in the sum of $300 to answer at the Court of Special Sessions.

Patrolman James Murphy, of the Fourth Precinct, attempted yesterday afternoon to jump on the front platform of car No. 61 of the Fourth avenue line, opposite No. 86 Centre street. He slipped and fell under the fore wheel, which passed over his left leg, causing serious injuries. The policeman was taken to Park Hospital for treatment.

Daniel Coffee, aged twenty-nine, of No. 397 Pearl street, was brought to the Greenwich street Police station, yesterday, suffering from severe injuries to his head, which he stated he had received at the hands of a stranger who had attacked him at Forty-seventh street and Sixth avenue. He was attended by Police Surgeon Walker and taken home.

The suit of Nathaniel McKay against Edwin C. B. Garcia, Consul General of Uruguay, came up yesterday in the United States District Court before Judge Blatchford. This suit is brought to recover the sum of $11,000, balance due on the steam-ship Yi, for which Mr. Garcia became responsible. The trial was not concluded yesterday, and will be continued to-day.

William G. Yorke, of No. 331 Water street, and Thomas and Patrick Farrell, of No. 330 Water street, were arrested last evening by Capt. Williams, of the Fourth Precinct, on bench warrants issued by Judge Sutherland, having been indicted by the Grand Jury for violations of the Excise law, in selling liquor without license. The prisoners were locked up at the Fourth Precinct Station-house and will be arraigned at the Court of General Sessions to-day.

Guillermo Dixte, an Italian, has been employed on Pier No. 45 North River to work in the place of some of the 'longshoremen. Yesterday Officer Standish, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, who is stationed at the wharf mentioned, was informed that Dixte was armed with a dagger. He arrested him, and in the left sleeve of his coat a most villainous-looking weapon was discovered. It had a blade about nine inches long, and was as keen as a razor. It opened with a spring like a dagger, and was altogether a formidable weapon. He said he did not know that it was any harm to carry a knife. At Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, Justice Smith held him in $1,000 bail for trial.

BROOKLYN.

There is a balance in the city Treasury of $591,363 44.

The United States steam-ship Gettysburg, Commander R. H. McRitchie, arrived at the Navy-yard at 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

The twenty-ninth reception of the Brooklyn Art Association will take place on Monday evening next, at the Art Building and Academy of Music.

A grand concert will be given by Theodore Thomas' Orchestra at Bedford Avenue Reformed Church to-morrow at 8 P. M., on which occasion Miss Emma Crouch will make her début.

The Long Island Historical Society held a regular meeting at the chapel of the Packer Institute last evening. An interesting paper, descriptive of "The Great Pyramid," was read by Prof. Darwin G. Eaton.

Controller Schroeder yesterday drew a warrant for $30,917 50, payable to President Stranahan of the Park Commission. The warrant was for the final payment for the grading and paving of the Sackett street Boulevard.

A caucus of Democratic politicians was held yesterday in the County Court-house. The object of the caucus was to select men to fill the different offices which, as the result of the last election, have fallen into the hands of the Democracy.

A portion of a human body was thrown up yesterday at Pottery Beach, Greenpoint. The body was without a head, and a portion of the left leg and both arms were gone. Clinging to the remains were a black coat, a cardigan jacket, and a striped calico shirt.

Messrs. Morris and Pearsall, attorneys for Theodore Tilton, have waived their right to except to the sureties in the undertaking furnished by Mr. Beecher on appeal, and have given the latter's counsel notice of argument before the Court of Appeals for next Tuesday.

The third trial of the suit of Aaron De Graw against James A. Elmore, to recover $9,000 which the latter, as alleged, induced the former, in fraudulent representations, to invest in worthless stock, was commenced in the Supreme Court, before Judge Barnard, yesterday. The case will go on to-day.

Coroner Whitehill yesterday impaneled a jury in the case of Eliza Jackson, the colored woman who was found insensible on the morning of the 10th inst., in a vacant lot on McDougal street, with marks of violence on her body, and who died on Saturday from the effects of her injuries. The inquest will be held on Tuesday next.

Mayor Hunter, Controller Schroeder, and William C. Kingsley had a consultation yesterday in the Mayor's office, which it was currently reported had reference to the appointment of the eight new Directors of the East River Bridge Company. It is rumored that Mr. Schroeder is in favor of excluding all the old Directors, and that Mayor Hunter disagrees with him.

Application was made by Walsh Brothers, stevedores, of New-York, yesterday to Superintendent Folk for a force of Police to protect a gang of Italians, hired by that firm in loading a steam-ship at Harbeck's Stores, in this city. The Italians arrived in a steam-tug from New-York at an early hour in the morning. An attempt to assault the new arrivals was made by the strikers, but the Police drove the society men off the dock.

STATEN ISLAND.

A sacred concert will be held at the Bethel M. E. Church at Tottenville to-morrow evening. A select programme will be rendered by the teachers of the Sunday-school of the church.

NEW-JERSEY.

Baron Schwartz Senborn, Minister from Russia, is in Newark looking through the manufactories in the city.

A new Baptist church was dedicated at Macopia, N. J., on Sunday. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Banvard, of Paterson.

The Jersey City Board of Aldermen, last evening, granted the Erie Railway Company permission to lay their track over Pavonia avenue, Tenth, Barnum, and Kelsey streets, to connect it with the Harsimus Abattoir.

Frederick G. Schneider, aged thirty-five, a resident of Union Hill, N. J., temporarily stopping at the Grand Union Hotel, corner of Fourth avenue and Forty-second street, committed suicide, yesterday, by shooting himself through the head with a pistol. Coroner Keasler was notified to hold an inquest, and gave a permit for the removal of the remains.

The second trial of William Brock, indicted for highway robbery, in Jersey City, upon an Ulster County man named Brooks Field, resulted in a disagreement of the jury, and they were discharged yesterday morning. Field had been detained in jail 102 days as a witness against his assailant. Judge Hoffman, yesterday, ordered his discharge, and ordered the county authorities to pay him $1 for each day of his confinement. Brock was released on his own recognizance.

A few days ago William J. Woods went into a jewelry store in Newark, and, snatching a watch from the case, ran out. He was overtaken and arrested. Monday evening he was arraigned before Judge Tebsworth, in the Essex County Court of Sessions, for sentence. The prisoner, who is only about twenty years of age, and that only a month ago he had married a young lady. He was without money, and too proud to confess to his wife that he was unable to support her; and being anxious, besides, to take her to his parents, who reside in another State, he resorted to the expedient of stealing to get money. He showed a good character up to the time of the commission of the offense, and the court let him off with a fine of $50 and costs.

On Monday evening, James McMicken, a non-union man, employed at the Cunard docks, was assaulted and badly beaten while returning home from his work. John Quinn and Redmond Flynn were arrested on suspicion of having committed the assault. On the same evening Christian Sanders, a man looking for employment on the docks, was knocked down and otherwise maltreated by a Hoboken 'longshoreman, who subsequently made his escape. Yesterday morning a non-union man named Davis was severely beaten by the strikers at the corner of Grand and Hudson streets, Jersey City. The Cunard Steam-ship Company have offered a reward of $100 for the apprehension of the parties concerned in these assaults.

The Classis of Newark, which met in the Second Reformed Church in that city yesterday, was asked to dissolve the pastoral relations existing between the West Newark Reformed Church and Rev. Mr. Weinisch, the Pastor. The reason for the request was that the consistory had established a school in connection with the church which does not correspond with the religious opinions of the church. One of the Elders of the church explained that the congregation was not large enough to support a parochial school, and a school was established into which children not connected with the church are admitted, in the hope finally of bringing them into the church. The Pastor desired a religious school, but, for the reasons stated, the consistory had pledged their word to the patrons that the school should not be sectarian. The Classis refused to sever the relations, and a committee was appointed to adjust the difficulty between the Pastor and the consistory.

THE 'LONGSHOREMEN'S STRIKE.

NO MATERIAL CHANGE IN THE SITUATION—THE FRANCE LOADED BY UNION MEN.

The only change to be recorded in the situation of the 'longshoremen's strike yesterday was the circumstance that the stevedore employed by the French Transatlantic Company went to work in the morning with a gang of society men, at the old rates. During the afternoon previous the new hands, mostly Italians, had been discharged and were replaced by union men. The work being performed was the unloading of the valuable cargo of the steamer France, which was continued yesterday. The union men claimed the change as a victory for their side, on the ground that the new men were so unskilled in the labor that they make frequent breakages among packages of delicate and fragile goods. An inquiry into the facts of the case by a TIMES reporter disproved this assertion. No breakages of any moment had occurred up to the time of the discharge of the new men, but there was an evident ill-feeling between the Italians and the French crew of the steamer, threatening at times a collision between them. In addition to this the Captain of the France is a new officer, this being his first voyage for the company. He is just fresh from the French Navy, and wishes to make assurance doubly sure. He expressed his unwillingness to have his ship stowed in loading by any but experienced hands, and made the request that the unionists should be employed at this time. It was thought best, therefore, to effect the change in the present instance. The company do not intend, however, to accede in general to the demand of the 'longshoremen, and will abide by their agreement with the other lines as to the price paid to stevedores for the work done upon their ships. The loss, therefore, if any, in employing the unionists upon the France, must fall upon the contractors. The unionists continue to loiter in the vicinity of the piers and the vessels, but do not venture to create any disturbance. The Police are as vigilant as ever, and in sufficient force. It is still considered necessary to escort the Italian laborers to and from work by strong squads of Police.

A 'LONGSHOREMAN STABBED BY AN ITALIAN.

Last evening, while a number of Italian laborers who had been at work on the wharf of the Inman line of steam-ships, Pier No. 45 North River, were passing through Charlton street on their way home and when near the corner of Hudson street they were attacked by a number of 'longshoremen. A general melee ensued, during which Michael McCormack, aged thirty-two, residing at No. 74 King street, was stabbed in the left thigh by one of the Italians and severely injured. In the confusion the Italian who stabbed McCormack escaped. McCormack was taken to the Greenwich street police station, where his wound was dressed by Police-surgeon Walker, after which he was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

THE SAILORS' STRIKE.

There was no new feature yesterday in the strike of the sailors. In fact, there seemed to be little or no opposition to the demand of the sailors for the increased wages. Under the lead and supporting countenance of the societies formed for their protection, more especially that of the Boarding-house Keepers' Benevolent Association, the sailors found no difficulty in getting both the full rates fixed, namely, $30 per month, and the advance payment, in the shipping articles signed yesterday. There seemed to be no trouble anywhere of a violent character. The Committees of the Whole and of Vigilance, appointed by the Seamen's Protective Union, were active in their patrol of the North and East River fronts, and quietly instructed all newly-arrived sailors of the rise in wages, and the rules and regulations adopted for their guidance. Under the understanding that they would be maintained by the boarding-house keepers till they could ship at the advanced rates, all hands gladly acquiesced in the arrangements laid down for them, and will await their turn to be shipped according to rule.

THE LOCKED-OUT COOPERS.

William Watson, the Chairman of the Board of Officers of Coopers' Union No. 2, has addressed a printed circular "to the Merchants and business men of New-York," setting forth at length the causes which led to the existing lock-out, together with the remedy which the coopers propose to apply. This is no other than a large co-operative association of the society coopers, by which they intend to compete successfully with the labor of the raw hands and apprentices now employed by the locking-out firms. Serious charges are also brought against several members of the firms associated in the present lock-out, and further revelations of a similar character are promised. The new co-operative shop will be opened on Monday, the 30th inst.

POLICE COURT ANNUAL REPORTS.

The clerks of the various Police Courts throughout the City are all busily engaged in making out a record of the arrests, arraignments, committals, discharges, and fines for the past twelve months. When completed such records will be sent to the Legislature. They will be comprehensive, giving in detail the name, age, nationality, and sex of every prisoner brought before the Police magistrates, also the disposition of each case. The records are intended as statistical guides to the Legislature on questions of future criminal legislation. Mr. John R. Dillon, the head clerk of Jefferson Market Police Court, expects to have the records from his court completed in one month.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE IN THE TOMBS.

CHARLES SACIA, THE ALLEGED TITLE-DEED FORGER, CUTS HIS THROAT IN THREE PLACES—THE WOUNDS NOT FATAL.

Charles Sacia, who was arrested some months ago, charged with being concerned in extensive forgeries of title-deeds and mortgages, attempted to commit suicide yesterday by cutting his throat in his cell, No. 56, in the Tombs prison. The keeper, Mr. Duffy, who had charge of the prisoner, informed a TIMES reporter that yesterday forenoon a person whom he supposed to be a Deputy Sheriff called at the prison and asked permission to see Sacia. When taken to the cell in which he was confined, the stranger showed Sacia a paper, and asked him whether a certain signature was his. Sacia said that it was, and after his visitor had gone seemed to be very nervous and was evidently much perturbed. Mr. Duffy, noticing his agitation, told George Riley, another prisoner confined in the same cell, to watch him closely. Shortly afterward Riley told Mr. Duffy that Sacia had taken his razor from its case and was acting in a suspicious manner. Duffy then went into the cell and found the razor hidden under some clothing and took it away. About 3:30—the dinner hour—Riley called out that Sacia was trying to kill himself, and Keeper Duffy, calling for assistance, ran to the cell, where he found Riley struggling with Sacia, who was bleeding freely from the neck. He was then secured, and the pen-knife with which he had attempted to kill himself was taken from him. Sacia was at once removed from the cell to the hospital cell, and Dr. Wenger, of the Park Hospital, was sent for and his wounds were dressed. Upon being asked, last evening, about the nature of the injuries, Dr. Wenger said that when he went to the Tombs he found Sacia suffering from three incised wounds in the neck, two over the right carotid artery and one over the left. The one on the left side was the deepest and almost reached the artery. The patient was bleeding from a small artery on the left side, which the doctor finally ligatured. He was also suffering from a chill caused by nervous depression, for which stimulants were prescribed. Dr. Wenger said that he discovered no signs of mental aberration, and that when asked whether he had inflicted any other wounds upon himself, Sacia had answered that he had not. This, upon examination of his person, was found to be the truth. He also promised the doctor that he would keep quiet, and not attempt to do himself any further injury. There is no immediate danger, as the wounds are slight. Sacia is a man nearly sixty years of age, and when arrested occupied the position of President of the Palisade Fire Insurance Company of Jersey City, a bogus concern that collapsed about the time of Sacia's arrest.

BUSINESS NOTES.

RAILROAD REPORTS—MEETING OF THE LINEN TRADE—MISCELLANEOUS AFFAIRS.

The stockholders of the Quicksilver Mining Company held a meeting yesterday, for the purpose of considering a proposal made by the Directors to equalize the common stock with the preferred, and thereby enable the holders of both stocks to share alike in the division of the surplus earnings or the earnings to accrue. The meeting was attended by representatives of 64,000 shares of stock. Prominent among them was the veteran speculator, Mr. Daniel Drew. The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, The undersigned holders of shares of the stock of the Quicksilver Mining Company hereby assent to the conversion of the common stock of the company into preferred stock upon payment to the Treasurer by such common stock holders of the sum of $5 per share and interest thereon from Feb. 24, 1874.

Mr. George L. Kent, a preferred stockholder, vehemently opposed the passage of the resolution, claiming that the action it contemplated was illegal and unjust. To fortify his arguments on the subject, Mr. Kent produced an injunction granted by Judge Donohue, of the Supreme Court, restraining the stockholders from taking any action in the premises. Mr. Drew declared himself in favor of the conversion of the stock, and pledged himself that a dividend of nine per cent would be declared, if it were consummated. A vote was taken to ascertain the sentiments of the meeting, when representatives of 60,000 shares voted in favor of the project, whereas the opposition only represented 4,000 shares. In view of the injunction nothing more could be done at the moment, and an adjournment was had accordingly.

At a meeting of the bondholders of the Central Railroad of Iowa, held yesterday, at No. 20 Broad street, the committee appointed at a previous meeting reported that the affairs of the road under its present management were being economically administered. The earnings for the first six months show a considerable loss, but not more than the average of the roads throughout the country for the same period. The committee further state that their efforts to effect harmonious relations with the Boston stockholders did not prove entirely successful, but that they entertain hopes of a more auspicious result in the future. The committee declare against foreclosure, and favor reorganization upon an equitable basis.

A meeting of the members of the linen trade was held yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. E. Packard in the chair. The meeting was called at the suggestion of the Chamber of Commerce, with a view to oring together the representatives of this trade that they might adopt measures in common with other trades to effect a revision of the tariff. The combined various trades do not propose so far its object the change to specific from ad valorem duties. It meets with large and influential support in Boston, Philadelphia, and other large cities. Appropriate resolutions were adopted.

The annual meeting of the Bank Clerks' Mutual Benefit Association was held yesterday, the President, William A. Nash, in the chair, Mr. Dummer, Secretary. The association was incorporated Feb. 10, 1869, and has a present active membership of 1,018 persons, being a gain of thirty-one for the year. Donations during the year aggregated $14,230; present state of permanent fund, $49,505; number of deaths during the year, 8; amount disbursed for benefit in cases of deaths, $10,012; expenses, $987 98; receipts for dues and assessments, $11,165; cash on hand, $13,438 30, which, added to the permanent fund makes the surplus of the association $62,963 80.

At the Produce Exchange yesterday official announcement was made of the failure of W. E. Adams, produce and commission merchant.

THE WEST SIDE WATER-CURE CASE.

STATEMENT OF THE PROPRIETOR IN HIS DEFENSE—HOW THE DECEASED CAME TO HER DEATH.

On the 1st of August last a young married lady named Potter died at a water-cure establishment in West Twenty-second street. The evidence at the Coroner's inquest bore heavily against the proprietor of the water-cure, Christian J. Schiefferdecker, and the verdict of the jury asserted that the deceased came to her death through criminal negligence on his part. Mr. Schiefferdecker, who is not a medical man, was subsequently arrested, and bailed in the sum of $2,000, by Marshall O. Roberts. The case was not brought to trial, and Mr. Schiefferdecker now makes his defense public in a letter to the newspapers, in which he emphatically denies the charge of criminal negligence, and cites the names of several well-known citizens as guarantees of his ability and good character.

He says that the patient was brought to his house under false pretenses, it being alleged on the part of her parents that she was suffering from hysteria, rheumatism, and overdosing with strychnine. What she was in reality suffering from is not stated. A rule of his establishment is that all helpless patients shall be provided with their own nurses. In this case the person detailed for that duty was a girl twelve years of age, against whom Mr. Schiefferdecker brings various charges of dishonesty and incompetence. The patient seemed to be satisfied with her treatment, and frequently thanked the proprietor and his attendants for their kind attentions. Her parents also seemed to be satisfied that their daughter was in good hands. Her treatment was that ordinarily practiced at water-cures, and consisted of ablutions and packs. After Mrs. Potter had been in his house twelve days, Mr. Schiefferdecker says that he began to be much confined to his office and couch, through illness induced by old wounds received in duels during his University career in Germany. He describes himself, as "an old, half worn-out man, ill and helpless." About this time he became alarmed at the appearance of certain sores on the patient's person, and on applying to his consulting surgeon, Dr. John C. Minor, ascertained that she was suffering from *tabes dorsalis*, (gray degeneration of the spinal marrow.) It was further discovered that the poor girl had been twice under treatment at St. Luke's Hospital, having been discharged the second time as "incurable." He at once apprised her friends of the true state of the case, and asked that the patient be taken away, as he could do nothing for her. This request her parents refused, on the plea that removal would endanger her life. They then came to the house and remained with the patient until her death. They brought a physician with them, a young man named Leale, who denounced the water treatment, and threatened to have the house closed unless clean linen was furnished, and the poor girl suitably cared for. Mr. Schiefferdecker criticises Dr. Leale's subsequent treatment of the case and accuses the latter of prescribing alcoholic stimulants and a preparation of onions. He also asserts that the Doctor knew very little about water-cure practice, and quotes several German authorities to prove that water is frequently used with benefit in such cases as the one in question. In reference to the uncleanliness of the patient's bed-linen, which he admits, the blame is laid upon the twelve-year old nurse already mentioned, as well as upon the deceased herself, who, according to Mr. Schiefferdecker's story, was unwilling to have her "incurable" condition known, from fear that she might be sent to a public hospital. He says that he has not received one dollar for his services from the friends or relatives of the deceased, and that, in addition, they owe him considerable sums for board, lodging, linen, attendance, &c. In conclusion Mr. Schiefferdecker appends to his sworn statement short notes from Charlotte Cushman, Emma Stebbins, Kate Field, Marshall O. Roberts, and Ex-Judge Bosworth, all of whom certify to his good reputation, and several of whom add that they have personally experienced the most beneficial results from his mode of treatment.

THE FOREIGN FRUIT DEALERS.

A meeting of the importers of raisins and other foreign fruits was held at the office of the *American Grocer*, No. 141 Chambers street, yesterday afternoon. William H. Jackson called the meeting to order and nominated Mr. George G. Spencer Chairman, and as Vice Presidents, Messrs. D. D. Acker, H. K. Thurber, and W. R. Mitchell; Secretary, Joseph T. McDowell, who were duly elected.

Mr. Austin, of the firm of Fitts & Austin, offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, There exists a wide difference in the contents of packages of Malaga raisins, varying from fifteen to twenty-four pounds, net, in a box, thereby causing frequent complaints from the retail trade; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend that the importers and dealers in raisins unite in altering the method of selling this class of merchandise by the box to that of weight; and

Resolved, That in order to accomplish this result a committee of five be appointed by the Chairman to consider the subject, and confer with the importers and dealers upon the same, rendering their report at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Rich stated that he had been in the fruit trade for over forty years, and had observed the gradual decrease in the quantity of raisins in a box from twenty-five to twenty pounds, and suggested that a uniform weight should be adopted by the importers, and insisted upon; any deviation to be deducted in the proper proportion from the price per box. A committee of three was next appointed by the Chairman to consider the formation of a fruit-dealers' association, and, after some further discussion bearing upon the same subject, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

THE CONNECTICUT VALLEY RAILROAD.

HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 24.—The old Board of Directors and other officers of the Connecticut Valley Railroad were elected at the annual meeting in this city to-day. The annual statement shows the earnings of the road were $60,444 27 above the running expenses and interest on bonds.

[Advertisement.]

The first cold snap has made business lively at KNOX'S, the ladies recognising the fact that his display of fancy Furs is unusually attractive, embracing as it does all the popular varieties, such as Brown, Otter, Shetland and Alaska Seal, Russian Sable, Mink, Lynx, and Red Martin, all marked down at very low figures. KNOX'S stores are at No. 212 Broadway, and in the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; market dull; prices nominally unchanged; shipments, 800. Hogs—Receipts, 33,000; market fairly active; prices firm at a range of $4 50@$4 90, with most sales at $5 65@$7; shipments, 5,500. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; market quiet and steady; Common to Good, $3@$4 25.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

SAVANNAH, Nov. 24.—Cotton irregular; Middling, 14½c.@14¼c.; Low Middling, 13¾c.@13⅞c.; Good Ordinary, 13⅜c.@13½c.; net receipts, 4,735 bales; exports, to Great Britain, 2,094 bales; sales, 2,151 bales; stock, 24,984 bales.

GALVESTON, Nov. 24.—Cotton firm; good demand; moderate offerings; Middling, 14¼c.; Low Middling, 14¼c.; Good Ordinary, 13⅝c.; net receipts, 2,303 bales; gross, 2,345 bales; exports, to France, 640 bales; sales, 2,000 bales; stock, 66,023 bales.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 24.—Cotton quiet; Middling, 14½c.; net receipts, 2 780 bales; exports, to the Continent, 400 bales; sales, 800 bales; stock, 53,934 bales.

NEW-ORLEANS, Nov. 24.—Cotton steady and unchanged; Middling, 14¾c.; net receipts, 8,613 bales; gross, 9,323 bales; exports, to Great Britain, 4,537 bales; sales, 4,500 bales; stock, 136,231 bales.

MOBILE, Nov. 24.—Cotton steady and unchanged; Middling, 14¾c.; net receipts, 2,710 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,196 bales; sales, 4,200 bales; stock, 42,756 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Nov. 24—12:30 P. M.—United States 5-20 Bonds 1865, old, 106¼; 1867s, 109½. Erie Railway Shares, 25¾; do., preferred, 41½.

2:30 P. M.—Consols for Money, 93 2-32@93⅛, and for the account 93⅛@93¼. Erie Railway Shares, 25¼.

5 P. M.—Erie Railway Shares, 25. Paris dispatches quote Rentes at 61f. 72½c.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 24—12:30 P. M.—Cotton—The market is quiet and steady; Middling Uplands, 7¾d.; Middling Orleans, 8¼d. 8⅜d.; sales, 12,000 bales, including 2,000 bales for speculation and export. Breadstuffs—The receipts of Wheat for the past three days have been 16,000 quarters, including 13,000 quarters American.

2:30 P. M.—Cotton—Sales on the basis of Middling Uplands, nothing below Low Middling, deliverable November, at 7¾d. Breadstuffs—The market is firm. Wheat, 10s. 3d.@10s. 6d. ₱ cental for California White Club, and 9s. 4d.@9s. 9d. for Red Western Spring. Corn, 37s. 3d.@37s. 6d. ₱ quarter.

3:30 P. M.—Cotton—Of the sales to-day 6,800 bales were American.

5 P. M.—Trade Report—The market for Yarns and Fabrics at Manchester is quiet and unchanged. Provisions—Pork, 85s. ₱ bbl. for New Mess.

Evening.—Linseed-oil, 28s. 6d. ₱ cwt. Spirits Turpentine, 25s. 6d.@26s. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Nov. 24—3:30 P. M.—Erie Railway Shares, 25@25¼.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Refined Petroleum, 9½d. ₱ gallon.

Evening.—Spirits Turpentine opened at 25s.@25s. 3d., and closed at 25s. 3d. ₱ cwt. Lard-oil, 24s. 3d.@24s. 9d. ₱ cwt.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

In steam-ship San Jacinto, from Savannah.—W. E. Gordon, H. B. Parsons and wife, Miss M. Dwyer, C. H. Norman and wife, Capt. J. F. Murphy, W. H. Beach, Miss Hattie Kay on, Mrs. W. G. Powers, Capt. Jose Gonsales, H. Berruger, George Mills, John Brown, P. Jaline, M. Kellhollard, C. Sullvan, Jacob Brown.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.....6:58 | Sun sets.....4:35 | Moon rises..6:16

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook..8:41 | Gov. Island...9:30 | Hell Gate..10:50

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....TUESDAY, Nov. 24.

CLEARED.

Steam-ships Cleopatra, Bulkley, Savannah, Murray, Ferris & Co.; Gulf Stream, Crowell, Charleston, S. C., J. W. Quintard & Co.; Geo. W. Elder, Lawrence, Norfolk, Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.; Novelty, Shaw, Philadelphia, Wm. Kirkpatrick; Java, (Br.,) Murphy, Liverpool, via Queenstown, C. G. Francklyn; Wisconsin, (Br.,) Freeman, Liverpool, Williams & Guion; City of Merida, Timmerman, Havana, Progreso, &c., F. Alexandre & Son; Mediator, Martin, Fernandina and Port Royal, H. Gelpcke; Wyanoke, Couch, Norfolk, City Point, and Richmond, Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.; Achilles, Arico, Wilmington, N. C., William P. Clyde & Co.; Black Diamond, Smith, Philadelphia, William Kirkpatrick; Mayflower, Fuits, Philadelphia, J. Hand; Glaucus, Bearse, Boston, H. F. Dimock.

Barks Sarah Hobart, Pinkham, Havana, James E. Ward & Co.; Adelme, (Aust.,) Cruquis, Trieste, J. C. Seager.

Brigs W. W. Lord, (Br.,) Lardry, St. Johns, N. F., Hatton, Watson & Co.; Oliver Cutts, (Br.,) Jones, Port au Prince, R. Murray, Jr.; Thomas Turrel, Thompson, Bridgetown, Bar. I. W. & P. Armstrong; Alice, (Br.,) Montgomery, Truzillo and Omoa, via Turk's Island, Eggers & Heinelin.

Schr. Harry White, Hopkins, Para, Brazil, Miller & Houghton.

ARRIVED.

Steam-ship Charleston, Berry, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 22, with mdse. and passengers to James W. Quintard & Co.

Steam-ship San Jacinto, Hazzard, Savannah Nov. 21, with mdse. and passengers to W. R. Garrison.

Steam-ship Vindicator, Morton, Savannah, Nov. 21, with mdse. and passengers to R. Lowden.

Steam-ship North Point, Smith, Philadelphia, with mdse. to Lorillard Steam-ship Co.

Steam-ship Neptune, Berry, Boston, with mdse. to H. F. Dimock.

Steam-ship Eleanor, Johnson, Portland, with mdse., &c., to J. F. Ames.

Steam-ship City of Fitchburg, Springer, New-Bedford, with mdse., &c., to Ferguson & Wood.

Steam-ship Isaac Bell, Blakeman, Richmond, City Point, Norfolk, with mdse. and passengers to Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.

Bark Henry L. Gregg, Dyer, Nicata 75 da., with sulphur to Marcus, Hunter & Co. Nov. 24, 3 P. M., off Henry Wardell's, Jersey Beach, went aground and lay there one hour and a half; came off vessel leaking badly; no date, lat. 20, lon. 80 30, spoke brig Maria Lamb, from Antwerp, for Philadelphia.

Bark Dorchester, (of Boston,) Harrison, Malaga 48 da., with fruit to F. C. Lewis—vessel to D. B. Dearborn. Passed Gibraltar Oct. 10; took the southern passage and had fine weather.

Bark Giorgietta, Small, Malaga 28 da., with fruit to James Henry—vessel to Simpson, Clapp & Co. Passed Gibraltar Oct. 29; took the northern passage and had strong, variable winds.

Bark Idaho, Richardson, Cienfuegos, 15 da., with sugar to Tucker & Lightbourne. Anchored at Sandy Hook for orders, and was ordered to Boston; sld. this P. M.

Brig Lewis Clark, Smith, Bangor, for Philadelphia.

Schr. William Douglass, Melndez, Baracoa 11 da., with fruit to Wm. Douglass—vessel to B. J. Wenberg. Nov. 19, lat. 23 30, lon. 74 31, passed a can buoy painted red adrift.

Schr. A. L. Putnam, (of Harwick,) Spaulding, San Blas 20 da., with cocoanuts and ivory nuts to J. D. Eldridge—vessel to Doane & Gott. Had strong N. and N. E. gales; lost mainsail, split foresail and jibs, and carried away jib-stays and fore-stays.

Schr. F. G. Russell, (of Portland,) Makin, Mayaguez, P. R., 11 da., with oranges to William Douglass—vessel to B. J. Wenberg. Had strong S. E. winds to Hatteras; from thence 5 da., with strong N. E. winds.

Schr. Bessie E. Dickinson, Dickinson, Richmond, Va., with coal to Bird, Perkins & Job.

Schr. Emma E. Smalley, (of Eastport,) McFadden, Hillsboro, N. B., 7 da., with 1,793 barrels calcined plaster to Candee & Smith—vessel to Miller & Houghton. (Incorrectly reported 23d.)

Schr. Three Brothers, Bailey, Virginia, with wool to E. P. Havens.

Schr. Julia R. Floyd, Squires, Georgetown, S. C., 8 da., with naval stores to Toler & Hart—vessel to E. D. Purdut & Co.

Schr. S. W. Bonnell, Bonnell, Richmond, Va., with coal to Slaght & Petty.

Schr. S. E. Birdsall, Warren, Georgetown, D. C., with coal to Slaght & Petty.

Schr. J. B. Johnson, Rose, Virginia, with wood to Slaght & Petty.

Schr. Annie Frye, Cole, Whiting, Me., with lumber to Simpson, Clapp & Co.

Schr. L. M. Knowles, Clements, Providence.

Schr. M. F. Cushman, Ball, Fall River.

Schr. Gov. J. Y. Smith, Crowell, Providence, for Georgetown, D. C.

Schr. Jesse Williams, Jr., Seward, Salem.

Schr. Northern Light, Parker, Providence.

Schr. William Todd, Wood, New-Haven.

Schr. Expedite, Rackett, Pawtucket.

Schr. Emma B. Shaw, Oakley, Boston.

Schr. Samuel Hart, ——, Rockport, Me.

Schr. Senator Grimes, Hilbert, Calais, with lumber.

WIND—Sunset, moderate, N. W.; cloudy.

SAILED.

Steam-ships Wisconsin, for Liverpool; City of Merida, for Havana and Vera Cruz; Cleopatra, for Savannah; Gulf Stream, for Charleston; Mediator, for Port Royal and Fernandina; Wyanoke, for Norfolk, &c.

BY TELEGRAPH.

ALCOONA, Mich., Nov. 24.—The schr. Monticello, of Detroit, from Chicago to Oswego, laden with corn, went ashore on a reef near Black River Island last night. She leaks easy and is not leaking. The schooner is unmsured.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 24.—Arr. steamer Raleigh, Wilmington, N. C.; brigs Agnes Barton, Havana; Harry, Pajardo; schrs. Isabel Alberto, New-York; Rodney Parker, (new,) New-Haven.

Cld. schrs. Geo. S. Tarbell, Boston; Lottie Ames, New-York; steamer Scandinavian, Liverpool; bark Lapwing, Rio Janeiro; steam